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dated: 9th April, 2021

Subject: Membership of National Consortium for Open Schooling (NCOS) and permission for use of Study Material- regarding

Dear Prof. Sokhi,

This has reference to your letter no. BOSSE/SIK/NIOS/03-21/05 dated 5m March, 2021. At the outset, I am glad that the State Government Sikkim has enacted the Board of Open Schooling & Skill Education (BOSSE), Sikkim Act, 2020 for establishing the Board for Open Schooling and Skill Education. I would like to congratulate you for the initiative taken by the Govt. and welcome to National Consortium for Open Schooling (NCOS). This significant venture, will definitely work in the interest of the School dropouts and unsuccessful candidates of Secondary and Senior Secondary examination of the State and other students who are unable to get the benefit of formal system of education due to various reasons.

It is also highly appreciable that Board of Open Schooling & Skill Education is willing to use the Self Learning Materials (SLM) of NIOS. For this purpose, a MoU may be signed between both institutions and thus the Self Learning Materials (SLM) of NIOS may be used or adopted accordingly.

Further I would like to assure you that NIOS has included BOSSE in the approved list of Education Boards.

However, NIOS is committed to provide academic support and guidelines to the State Open Schools to promote the Open Schooling in the country.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Saroj Sharma)

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