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School Education & Literacy (IS.5 Section)

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi Dated: 26th November, 2018.

To.

Education Secretary, All States and UTs.

Sub: Guidelines for utilisation of Library Grant under the Samagra Shiksha reg.

Sir/Madam.

I am directed to refer to this Ministry's letter of even number dated 3rd October, 2018 on the subject mentioned above enclosing the Guidelines for utilisation of library grant and to promote reading habit among children.

The States/UTs are further requested that while purchasing the books published by NBT/Government publications, it may be ensured that books are centrally procured by the State/UT Governments directly from NBT/Government agencies. No middle men may be involved and no commission should be paid in procurement of Government published books. NBT has informed that they are preparing a master catalogue of books which will be delivered to the states and UTs to facilitate selection. The delivery will also be made directly at a single point at the state level.

The States/UTs may also promote the setting up for Readers Club and Reading Corners in schools with the help of NCCL, a wing of NBT. The instructions for the same have already been included in the guidelines.

Yours sincerely

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