

# MEGHALAYA STATE CURRICULUM FRAMEWORK 2019

## CALL FOR POSITION PAPERS

The Directorate of Educational Research and Training, Shillong invites submission of Position Papers for Critical Analysis of key and specific issues in the areas of curriculum, syllabi, textbooks and assessment pertaining to School education in Meghalaya.

### **Background:**

One of the key challenges of the Department is not having its own Curriculum, and this has led to adoption of textbooks that are not mapped to curriculum objectives, and not aligned to concepts and knowledge. This is often cited as a key problem with student performance compared to other Boards.

To address this problem, the Department has initiated the Development of the State Curriculum Framework which will guide the development of Curriculum, Syllabus and eventually textbooks.

This is a massive exercise, of huge scale and will be very challenging for the Department. The Department of Education has prepared the implementation plan, budget, manpower, and capacity building requirements.

It is thereby proposed that under the State Curriculum Framework there is a need to identify, address and resolve key issues pertaining to the school curriculum in Meghalaya. Position Papers are invited to enable the Directorate of Educational Research and Training to understand the ground reality with a view to ensuring optimal learning through an updated and relevant State Curriculum Framework.

### **Objective:**

The Position Papers should enable the Directorate of Educational Research and Training to identify, analyse and address key issues in the areas of curriculum, syllabi, textbook development and adoption, learners' assessment and evaluation.

### **Scope:**

Critical and solution-based analyses of inter alia:

- Policy of textbook selection, adoption and procurement in Meghalaya
- Best practices and worst practices in learner assessment and evaluation
- Development of diverse and state specific and appropriate curricular approaches
- Development of an enabling and flexible curriculum framework
- Suggestions and justification of a continuous and comprehensive assessment

### **Resources:**

#### **Submission Guidelines**

Research papers, including analytical and theoretical papers, position papers, or case studies will be considered for inclusion in the DERT report. The length of the submissions should be between 2500 and 5000 words.

All submissions shall be in English. Citation should be in APA format. All authors shall use footnotes rather than endnotes and submission should be in Microsoft Word or Open Document Text in Arial, font size 11 point, 1.15 line spacing and Normal margins.

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Submissions are to be submitted before or on 7<sup>th</sup> November, 2019 along with their mailing address and contact number. They should include the following elements:

Title

Short abstract (250 words)

First draft of the submitted paper

Author's name, affiliation and brief personal bio

Submissions should be sent to **scf.meg@gmail.com**

All submitted papers will be subject to an expert panel review. All submissions will be evaluated according to the originality of the contribution, the theoretical soundness and the quality of presentation.

The selected authors will be given the opportunity to improve their contributions based on expert comments. Selected papers will be published into the 2019 Position Papers on the Meghalaya State Curriculum Framework in open access, under Creative Common licenses.

Authors will also be invited (at their own expenses) to present their papers in PowerPoint mode on a date to be notified by the DERT via email.

Nature of payment: Fixed lumpsum (INR 50000)

### Timelines:

19 <sup>th</sup> October, 2019:	Publication of Invitation
24 <sup>th</sup> October, 2019:	Pre-Submission Meeting
7 <sup>th</sup> November, 2019:	Last Date for Submission of Position Papers
11 <sup>th</sup> - 13 <sup>th</sup> November 2019:	Evaluation of Position Papers
15 <sup>th</sup> November 2019:	Declaration of selected writers

### Eligibility Criteria:

- Post Graduates with PhD
- Excellent Academic Background
- Contributions through academic writings in peer reviewed journals, etc.
- Excellent Written and Spoken Communication Skills
- Good experience of working with Govt. and Govt. – supported Institutions

Kindly note that Position Papers with inadequate information or those received after the closing date will not be considered.

Note: Only Shortlisted Candidates will be notified via email.

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