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New Delhi dated 31st January, 2017

Dear Sir/Madam,

You may be aware that as per Rule 212(3) of General Financial Rules (GFR), 2005, the Annual Report and Audit Statement of accounts of the State Implementation Societies (SISs) of the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) are required to be laid on the table of Parliament. However, with effect from 2014-15, the fund flow under all the Centrally Sponsored Schemes has been revised. The central share is now released to States and UTs and after receipt of central share, States and UTs further release the fund to SISs along-with the proportionate State share.

2. In view of the above change in fund flow pattern, we sought a clarification from the D/o Expenditure whether the Annual Report and Audit Accounts of the SISs are still required to be laid before Parliament. Subsequently, vide their O.M. No. 8(16)/2016-E-II-A dated 18th August, 2016, (copy enclosed) it has been clarified that since the execution of the Scheme, including financial sanctions, audit and accounting, is within the domain of States and UTs, the audited accounts of the same should be laid before the State or UT Assembly. The Annual Report of the SIS in respect of SSA, could be laid before Parliament.

3. It is therefore, requested that only the Annual Report for the year 2015-16 may be sent to this Department for laying on the table of the Parliament. The Annual Report, along-with the Audited Accounts, may be laid in the State/UT Assembly.

Encl: As above.

(Surbhi Jain)

To,

Education Secretaries of all States and UTs

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State Project Director of all States and UTs

1. NEC, MHRD for uploading data on “Shagun” Portal of the Ministry.

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