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NOTIFICATION

The following Act passed by the Sikkim Legislative Assembly and having received assent of the Governor on 21st day of September, 2020 is hereby published for general information :-

THE BOARD OF OPEN SCHOOLING AND SKILL EDUCATION, SIKKIM ACT, 2020

(ACT NO. 14 of 2020)

PREAMBLE

An Act to provide for establishment and incorporation of the State Board for Open School Education upto pre-degree level including Secondary, Senior Secondary, Skill and Vocational Education in the State of Sikkim and to provide for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto;

Whereas the crucial role of universal school education along with skill and vocational education for strengthening the social fabric of democracy through provision of equal opportunity to all has been accepted since inception of our republic. Over the years there has been significant spatial and numerical expansion of schools in the country, yet the goal of providing education to all continues to elude;

And Whereas the number of children, particularly children from disadvantaged groups, weaker sections and children from border and hilly areas, who drop out of school before completing school education, remains very large. Moreover, the quality of learning achievement is not always entirely satisfactory even in the case of children who complete elementary, secondary and senior secondary education;

And Whereas in order to enhance the infrastructural support to cater to the needs of growing number of students in the field of school education at secondary and senior secondary level in general and in the area of skill and vocation education in particular, it is felt necessary to involve public private participation and partnership to improve literacy, enhance and