

F. No.21-12/2014-TS-II  
Government of India  
Ministry of Human Resource Development  
Department of Higher Education

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New Delhi, dated the 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2014

To

Directors of All IITs, NITs, IISERs and IIITs

Subject: National Initiative to Foster Social Responsibility in Higher Education

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During the XII Five Year Plan, a new Scheme of National Initiative to Foster Social Responsibility is proposed to be launched.

2. Society for Promotion of Indian Classical Music and Culture Amongst Youth (SPIC MACAY) is an organization which has been working for promotion of value and heritage education in educational institutions with the overall aim of providing holistic awareness among the youth.
3. Hon'ble HRM has accorded 'in principle' approval for support to be provided to SPIC MACAY under the proposed new National Initiative to Foster Social Responsibility in Higher Education.
4. Accordingly, to give fillip to value education in colleges and universities, it is proposed that SPIC MACAY activities may be encouraged in our Centrally Funded Institutions. Consequently, each of the Centrally Funded Institutions, namely, IITs, NITs, IISERs and IIITs may incur a maximum expenditure of Rs. 5 lakh for SPIC MACAY activities in the current financial year 2013-14 through the respective budget heads of the concerned institution.
5. It is requested to take necessary action accordingly.

Yours faithfully,



(Tripti Gurha)  
Director (TC)

Copy to: JS(Planning) for kind information with reference to letter No. 12-6/2012-P&M dated 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 2014