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NOTIFICATION -5/2025

In continuation of Notification No. 22/2025 dated 24th December, 2025 and Notification No. 01/2026 dated 5th January, 2026 regarding the archival/ discontinuation of forty two (42) vocational courses of NIOS from Block-I, 2026 (January–June 2026 admission cycle), and in pursuance of the approval of the Competent Authority, NIOS, it is hereby notified that:

1. No fresh admissions shall be permitted in the aforesaid archived vocational courses with effect from Block-I, 2026.
2. Learners already enrolled in these courses till Block II, 2025 shall be allowed to continue their studies and appear in examinations as per NIOS norms, within the prescribed admission validity period of five (5) years.
3. The archiving of courses shall not affect the academic, examination, evaluation, or certification rights of existing learners during their validity period.
4. The following actions to be initiated by the concerned Departments/Units of NIOS for smooth implementation:

- **SAP / Computer Unit** shall update the NIOS website and admission portal to reflect the archived status of the courses and ensure restriction of fresh admissions while keeping examination and learner services active from Block-I, 2026.
- **Student Support Services (SSS) Department** shall formally inform all concerned Accredited Vocational Institutions (AVIs) about the archiving of the courses and guide them regarding continue support for existing learners. SSS Department shall also take necessary decisions and initiate appropriate action in respect of centres accredited through Accreditation Portal 3.0, in accordance with applicable norms and procedures.
- **Evaluation Department** shall ensure conduct of examinations, evaluation, declaration of results, and issuance of certificates for the archived courses till completion of learners' validity period.
- **Regional Centres** shall disseminate this notification through their respective websites and ensure compliance at the regional and AVI levels.
- **MPDD Unit** shall ensure dissemination of Study Learning Materials (SLMs) to existing learners and AVIs, as required.
- **Publication Unit** shall procure paper and print SLMs based on residual requirement for existing learners.

All concerned shall ensure strict compliance of the above instructions.


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Enclosed- Notification No. 22/2025
Notification No. 01/2026

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