

National Council of Educational Research and Training



Admission Brief Diploma Course in Guidance and Counselling (2025)

The increasing complexities and stresses of modern day living, everyday reports of lack of interest in studies, low achievement, truancy, aggression, behavioural problems, suicide, drug abuse and the like call for provision of guidance and counselling for children and youth in schools. Teachers and other school personnel need to equip themselves with helping skills to promote students' personal, social, educational, career development and adjustment throughout the school years.

Mental health concerns have been addressed by the National Education Policy (NEP), 2020. The involvement of well-trained social workers, counsellors, and community involvement into the schooling system has been emphasised to optimise student's learning. Mental health issues among individuals have been a rising concern. The National Education Policy (NEP), 2020 puts fourth this concern and highlights the urgent need for ensuring "not only cognitive development, but also building character and creating holistic and well-rounded individuals equipped with key 21^{st} century skills". This, however, requires professional orientation and training.

In this context, NCERT is offering a Diploma Course in Guidance and Counselling. The course of one-year duration with a unique blend of distance and face-to-face modes is open to candidates from India. Candidates from different regions of India will be admitted at DEPFE, NCERT, New Delhi and Regional Institutes of Education at Ajmer, Bhopal, Bhubaneswar, Mysuru and Shillong. Applications are invited online for admission to the course from the eligible candidates.

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Eligibility

In-service teachers / teacher educators / untrained guidance personnel/ school administrators

- In-service teachers—graduates with teaching degree.
- Candidates 'presently not working' graduation with teaching degree and at least two years of teaching or related experience.
- Postgraduates in psychology /education /social work / child development/special education. Preference will be given to those with at least one year of teaching or related experience.

Minimum % of marks for all target groups is 50% (5% relaxation for SC/ST).

No. of seats

Maximum 50 per study centre. Reservations apply as per the Government of India norms.

Duration and phasing

One-year, from January to December*

Guided Self-Learning
Intensive Practicum**

Internship

Six Months
(Distance)
Three Months
(Face-to-Face)
Three Months
(in Home Town)

*During distance learning phase, tutorials (once a month of two days duration/every two months of five days duration) will be organised at all study centres and learners in small groups will be attached to mentors for seeking clarifications and any other help. Audio-video programmes related to practical work, which are being developed by the department, will also be provided to learners during the distance learning phase.

Contact programme consists of intensive practical training and supervised field experience in schools. Duration of contact programme would be three months. It will be followed by a period of three months of internship in actual job setting, i.e. schools, guidance agencies etc.

^{**} In-service candidates must ensure that they will attend the full-time three months' contact programme with due permission from their employers before they take admission.

Medium of instruction

The medium of instruction for the course is Hindi and English.

Admission procedure

Screening of candidates will be done by a committee following a selection criteria. Shortlisted candidates will take a selection test which includes essay writing and interview.

In-service candidates should appear in the offline selection test, if found eligible, with prior permission from their employers if deputation orders take time.

Course fee

Course fee to be paid by different categories of candidates is:

➤ Government deputed from centrally funded organisations

Rs.19.500/

- ➤ Government deputed from State/UT departments Rs.6,000/-
- ➤ Private candidates Rs.30,000/-

The expenditure for boarding and lodging during contact programme will have to be borne by the candidates. However, facilities for the same will be available for non-local candidates.

Applications complete in all respects should be submitted online mentioning clearly any one of the following study centres based on the regional basis:

Study Centre	States/UTs	Study Centre	States/UTs
	Covered		Covered
Head	Delhi-NCR (viz.,	Principal	Andaman and Nicobar
Department of Educational	Delhi, Gurgaon,	Regional Institute of Education	Islands
Psychology and Foundations of	Faridabad, Noida,	Sachivalaya Marg	Bihar
Education	Ghaziabad and other	Bhubaneswar -751022	Jharkhand
NCERT	surrounding areas)	Centre Code 04	Odisha
Sri Aurobindo Marg	Chandigarh	Phone :+91-674-2540534	West Bengal
New Delhi-110016		E-mail: dcgc.ncertbbsr@gmail.com	
Centre Code 01			
Phone: +91-11-26560544			
E-mail: dcgc2025.ncert@gmail.com			
Principal	Jammu and Kashmir	Principal	Andhra Pradesh
Regional Institute of Education	Haryana	Regional Institute of Education	Karnataka
Capt. D.P.Choudhary Marg	Himachal Pradesh	Mysuru – 570006	Kerala
Ajmer – 305 004	Punjab	Centre Code 05	Lakshadweep
Centre Code 02	Rajasthan	Phone: +91-821-2514095	Puducherry
Phone: +91-145-2990140/2644630	Uttarakhand	E-mail: dcgc@riemysore.ac.in	Tamil Nadu
E-mail: dcgc@rieajmer.ac.in	Uttar Pradesh		Telangana
	Ladakh		
Principal	Chhattisgarh	Principal	Arunachal Pradesh
Regional Institute of Education	Dadra and Nagar	North East Regional Institute of	Assam
Shyamala Hills	Haveli	Education (NERIE), NCERT	Manipur
Bhopal -462013	Daman and Diu	Umiam, Barapani	Meghalaya
Centre Code 03	Goa	Shillong – 793103	Sikkim
Phone: +91-755-2661463	Gujarat	Centre Code 06	Nagaland
E-mail: idgc.ncertbho@riebhopal.in	Madhya Pradesh	Phone: +91-364-2570009/2570062	Tripura
	Maharashtra	Email: nerie.dcgc2023@gmail.com	Mizoram

Candidates should submit their online applications by 05th November, 2024. Self-attested copies of marks/grade sheets/degrees/certificates in support of qualifications and work experience mentioned in the application form should be attached.

All applications should be submitted only online and no applications will be received in the department or on e-mail. The applications will be sorted and duly sent to regional study centres as per the rules of the Diploma.