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Dear Colleagues,

This is in continuation to my previous letter on 11th October 2023 about APAAR and our various interactions as part of the 12th State/UT Meeting held at Sushma Swaraj Bhawan, New Delhi on the 9th and 10th July 2024, and 13th State/UT virtual meeting that was convened on 20th August 2024.

As you are aware, the APAAR ID system is designed to provide a unique, lifelong 12-digit identifier for all school-enrolled students. The provision will enable us to facilitate targeted interventions that will improve school enrolments, learning outcomes and seamless management of academic records among many other benefits.

The APAAR ID system provides direct benefit to various stakeholders in various areas such as:

1. **Unified Tracking:** It enables comprehensive monitoring of students' educational journeys, helping reduce dropout rates, tracking of Out of School Children (OoSC) and enhance learning outcomes.
2. **Digital Integration:** APAAR ID is directly linked to the Digi Locker ecosystem, facilitating the digital storage of academic achievements, including exam results, holistic report cards, and extracurricular accomplishments.
3. **Seamless Transitions:** It ensures smooth transfer of academic records when students move between schools, districts, or states owing to multiple reasons.
4. **Visualization of learning pathway through VSK:** Integration of APAAR ID with the IT systems that are linked to VSK, will allow for macro and micro analysis of educational interventions and outcomes at all levels of administration.

I would like to inform that creation of APAAR ID has now been enabled through the UDISE+ portal and APAAR ID creation has been implemented in KVS/NVS for Class 9th -12th students. The current process has been developed in close consultation with Digital India Corporation, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology ensuring compliance to key guidelines and regulations. Further, various feedback from students, parents, school administrators, have been considered and incorporated in the UDISE+ based APAAR ID Creation process.

I would now request your immediate attention to the following action points to enable pan-India roll out of this initiative on priority:

1. **SPD as APAAR Nodal:** The State Project Director (SPD) of Samagra Shiksha (SS) may be made the nodal officer for overseeing the exercise. The SPD may directly be in touch with AS (PMPY & Digital) & Mr. Gaurav Singh (gauravsingh.dhe@gov.in, +91- 88792-60858), Director at MoE for APAAR ID creation.
2. **Capacity Building of SPDs:** The capacity building of SPD, State MIS (UDISE+) Coordinators and District Coordinators for creation of APAAR ID would be led by the UDISE+ team at DoSEL and would be an ongoing process.
3. **School Level Activity and resource tool kit:** You are requested to advise all the schools to call for a Parent Teachers Meeting (PTM) for the implementation of APAAR ID through UDISE+. A step by step process for conducting such PTM is placed as enclosure along with other useful documents.

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4. Further, Detailed documents on APAAR implementation are made available at: <https://apaar.education.gov.in/resource> and may be utilized by schools for collecting parent/guardian consent and spreading awareness on generating APAAR IDs.

I am listing few other important areas that would help in ensuring a smooth roll out of APAAR ID in your State/UT

5. **Utilizing Multi-lingual resources and Implementation Tool Kit:** The multi-lingual resources would help in ensuring that APAAR ID, its functions and features are well understood for diverse stakeholders.

These resources are available at <https://apaar.education.gov.in/resource>

6. **Monitoring Mechanism:** Establish a robust monitoring system to track the progress of APAAR ID implementation across your state/UT.
7. **Sensitization:** Conduct awareness programs for all educational institutions in your state/UT regarding the APAAR ID system and its benefits. The resources at APAAR web page (<https://apaar.education.gov.in/resource>) may be utilized for the same.
8. **Capacity Building:** Organize training sessions for block Coordinators, School administrators and teachers on the implementation of the APAAR ID system.
9. **System Integration:** In parallel, you may coordinate with relevant departments to seamlessly integrate APAAR IDs with existing educational management systems and IT Systems in your State/UT that link to the Vidya Samiksha Kendra (VSK) in your State/UT.
10. **The APAAR portal** would be regularly updated to support the APAAR ID creation exercise. Additionally, APAAR portal is enabled with a ticketing system and toll-free number 1800-889-3511 may be utilized by UDISE+ Coordinators for escalating any challenges in APAAR ID creation.
11. Further, a comprehensive MoU with CSC is being finalized for supporting APAAR ID creation and their services may also be utilized in areas such as Name correction, Aadhar Updation, printing of ID Card etc

It is imperative that we demonstrate complete participation in this initiative and ensures saturation of APAAR ID for all students **within the month**, while prioritizing Class 9th to 12th Students. I request you to provide a detailed confirmation of your readiness and compliance status at your earliest convenience, preferably within the next 7 days.

Implementation of APAAR will be a cornerstone initiative towards achieving the goals envisioned under the NEP-2020 and would be a "game-changer" and I request you to accord **TOP-PRIORITY** to this activity.

Best wishes

Yours sincerely,

3/4/2024
(Sanjay Kumar)

1. Additional Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary/Secretary (School Education), All States and UTs.
2. State Project Director (School Education) of all States.

List of Enclosures:

1. Step by Step guidelines on the creation of APAAR ID (For School Administrators)
2. APAAR – Key features
3. Frequently Asked Questions and their responses

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Dear Sir/Ma'am,

Subject: APAAR ID Creation for all students in all classes - Primary, Secondary, and Senior Secondary across India - reg.

Kindly refer to Secretary, DoSEL's D.O. letter No. 1-27/2023-DIGED-Part(1) dated 2nd September 2024 regarding the implementation of APAAR ID system.

As highlighted in the D.O. letter, APAAR ID system has been designed as a unique, lifelong 12-digit identifier for all school-enrolled students, aimed at facilitating targeted interventions to improve school enrolments and learning outcomes.

I am happy to see that almost all the States/UTs have initiated the process of APAAR ID Creation; there is a need to accelerate and expand the APAAR ID creation process to achieve our targeted objectives. In this regard, I would like to inform that APAAR ID creation process **has now been opened for all students in all classes - Primary, Secondary, and Senior Secondary- for all schools of all management types.** Hence, APAAR ID can be generated and validated for all enrolled students in all schools across India.

SoP for creation of APAAR ID for all classes remain the same which is through:-

1. Conducting structured Parent Teacher Meetings (PTM's).
2. Ensuring collection and storage of consent forms during PTM's (in person).
3. Training school administrators on the UDISE+ portal.
4. Establishing robust monitoring mechanisms.
5. Ensuring APAAR ID's are printed on the Student ID cards.
6. Common Service Centre (CSC) is requested to help all schools for issues like Name corrections of students, Aadhar corrections of Parents/Students & Printing Identity Card's after APAAR ID validation.

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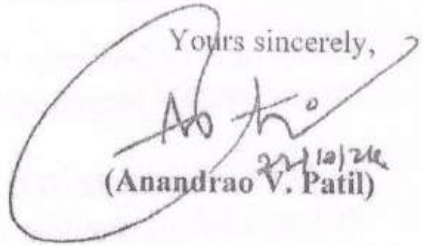
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In view of above, I request you to instruct all concerned about this national initiative in your State/UT. Your personal intervention in monitoring the progress and ensuring swift implementation of APAAR ID systems is utmost important. May I request you to bestow your personal attention to this national initiative.

Kind Regards.

Yours sincerely,


(Anandrao V. Patil)
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To:- Additional Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary/Secretary (School Education),
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Cc: State Project Directors, Samagra Shiksha All States/UTs.

Encl:- Copy of D.O. letter of Secretary, DoSE&L



FAQs for APAAR

1. What is APAAR?

APAAR, which stands for Automated Permanent Academic Account Registry, is a specialized identification system designed for all students in India. This initiative is part of the 'One Nation, One Student ID' program launched by the government, aligning with the new National Education Policy of 2020.

2. Why students should have APAAR ID?

APAAR ID - a unique 12-digit code will help students to digitally store, manage, and access all their academic credits, including Score card, marksheets, gradesheet, degrees, diplomas, certificates & co-curricular accomplishments. This ID functions as a permanent digital identity for the student in the education ecosystem.

3. What are the key features of APAAR?

- Lifelong Academic Identity: Each student gets a unique 12-digit ID.
- Centralized System: Manages academic records in one place.
- Credit Transfer: Facilitates the transfer of credits between institutions.
- Lifelong Identity: Stays with the student throughout their educational and professional career.
- Additionally it has features to; Preserving student achievements, Streamlines credit recognition, Enhance educational flexibility & Credit transfer across institutions.





4. How APAAR is useful?

The APAAR ID is linked to Academic Bank of Credits (ABC) & DigiLocker, an online repository, where students securely access their essential documents like exam results & academic credentials and documents. It receives academic credits of students directly from institutions and awarding bodies through the National Academic Depository. Thus being a single source of truth, this streamlines authentication for transfers, entrance examinations, admissions or job applications, simplifying the verification of academic records.

5. What are the benefits of APAAR?

APAAR ensures accountability and transparency in education by tracking student progress and streamlining academic records. It enhances efficiency, removes duplicity, minimizes fraud, and includes co-curricular achievements for holistic student development. With multiple use cases, APAAR facilitates following;

- Facilitate student mobility
- Enhance academic flexibility
- Empower students to choose their learning paths of their choice
- Acknowledge and validate learning achievements
- Since no additional certificates are required to be provided except sharing APAAR id where all credentials are stored, there is no fear of losing hard copy certificates and hence useful for all type of use cases such as transfer from one school to the other, entrance examination, admission, job application, skilling, upskilling etc.

6. How does APAAR benefit students?

- Unified Academic Identity: A single platform to consolidate and showcase academic records.
- Student ID Proof: It's an identity proof, which may have many other possible benefits as envisaged by schools, state government colleges & universities.
- Seamless Academic Mobility: Facilitating smooth transitions between educational levels.
- Lifelong Academic Identity: Facilitate skilling reskilling upskilling from early school education to higher education and beyond during employment.
- Student Lifecycle Monitoring: Students can effortlessly monitor their academic journey, enabling personalized study plans and real-time performance analytics.
- Skill Gap Analysis: The system aids in skill gap analysis and provides industry-relevant content for upskilling programs.
- Streamlining Student Academic Records: Simplifying academic record-keeping for students.





7. What are the facilities mapped through APAAR?

Admissions, Scholarships, Concessions, Credit accumulation, Credit redemption, Credit accounting, Credit Transfer from one institution to another institution, Internships, Certifications, Job applications, & verification of academic records.

8. How does APAAR support lifelong learning?

APAAR supports lifelong learning by maintaining a continuous record of a student's academic and skill achievements, from early education through higher education and into their professional career.

9. How does APAAR empower schools and contribute to improved academic management?

APAAR empowers schools by streamlining operations, simplifying tasks like admissions, and organizing crucial student information for enhanced academic management. With the use of digital data analytics, APAAR enables schools to generate insightful reports, refine teaching methodologies, and transition into a future without paperwork. This transformative approach allows educators to focus entirely on their core mission of delivering quality education to students.

10. Can students access their academic records through APAAR?

Yes, students can access and manage their academic records through the APAAR ID, which is linked to the ABC, and DigiLocker platforms.

11. How does APAAR handle academic credits?

APAAR integrates with the Academic Bank of Credits (ABC), allowing students to accumulate, transfer, and redeem credits across institutions. The ABC system facilitates credit transfers and tracks academic achievements.





12. How does APAAR enhance student experiences and contribute to seamless educational journeys?

APAAR transforms student experiences by creating a digital academic passport, consolidating educational history and achievements for easy verification. It ensures seamless transitions between educational institutions, fostering uninterrupted educational journeys. With a focus on enhancing experiences, APAAR empowers students to take ownership of their academic achievements in a positive learning environment.

13. How do students obtain their APAAR ID?

Students need to follow these steps:

- Verification: Visit the school to verify demographic details.
- Parental Consent: Obtain parental consent if the student is a minor.
- Authentication: Authenticate identity through the school.
- ID Creation: Upon successful verification, the APAAR ID is created and added to DigiLocker for secure online access.

14. What are the prerequisites for generating an APAAR ID?

Before generating an APAAR ID, the following prerequisites must be considered:

- The name of student as per student records in UDISE+ must match with the name of the student as per Aadhaar.
- PEN of student is mandatory for generation of APAAR ID.

15. What is the UDISE+ Portal?

The UDISE+ (Unified District Information System for Education Plus) portal is a comprehensive database used for managing information related to students, teachers, and schools across India.





16. What information is required to create an APAAR ID?

The following student details are mandatory for APAAR ID creation:

- UDISE+ Unique Student Identifier (PEN), Student Name, Date of Birth (DOB), Gender, Mobile Number, Mother's Name, Father's Name, Name as per Aadhaar, Aadhaar Number

17. What happens if the APAAR ID generation fails?

If APAAR ID generation fails, an error message will be displayed, indicating issues such as a demographic data mismatch between AADHAAR and academic records. The user must correct the inaccurate data and resubmit their request to generate the APAAR ID.

18. How can I check the status of APAAR ID generation for a student?

The status of APAAR ID generation can be checked in the UDISE+ Portal under the APAAR Module, which displays a list of students along with their APAAR ID statuses. Students may request their school authority to check the status of their APAAR ID creation.

19. Who is responsible for ensuring the accuracy of student data in the UDISE+ Portal?

Students, their parents, the school administration, and class teachers are all responsible for ensuring that student data is accurate and up to date during registration and admission.





20. How often should student data be updated in the UDISE+ Portal?

Student data should be regularly updated, especially in cases where there are changes in the student's particulars (e.g., Name, DOB, Gender, and Phone Number). This ensures that the APAAR ID generation process reflects the most accurate and current information.

21. How do institutions use APAAR IDs?

Institutions use APAAR IDs to access and verify students' academic histories for admissions, credit transfers, and recruitment purposes. They also help in managing and updating academic records.

22. What role do schools play in the APAAR implementation process?

Schools are responsible for providing APAAR IDs to students, verifying their details, and updating students demographic and academic records to the UDISE+ system. They also handle the initial creation and authentication of the APAAR

23. What is the official website of APAAR & ABC?

- APAAR Website – <https://apaar.education.gov.in/>
- ABC Website – <https://www.abc.gov.in/>

