APPENDIX - E

Letter of Government of India, Ministry of Education Relaxing the Upper Age Limit for Admission to Adult Education Classes

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Subject: Clarification regarding age-group to be covered under NAEP

As you are aware, in NAEP the target of 100 million has been determined because this is estimated to be the number of illiterate persons in 15-35 age group. It has been mentioned in the report of the Working Group on Adult Education for Medium Term Plan 1973-83 that priority should be given to this age group because it is during this phase of life that people make families and have to upgrade their skills and acquire an understanding of the socio-economic perspective.

2 Reports have been received in the Ministry of that some agencies responsible for implementation of the adult education programmes are excluding persons above this age group from the
benefits of the programme. It is, therefore, clarified that while for purposes of estimation of financial outlays for NAEP and the size of the programme to be undertaken the figure of 100 million will continue to operate, there should not be any rigidity about this age-group and persons more than 35 years of age desirous of participating in adult education programmes should be enabled to do so.

I should be grateful if you could bring this to the notice of all concerned.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Sd/-

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To

All Education Secretaries