

NEWS & VIEWS

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From

The Director General of Health Services.

To

The Secretary, Indian Association of Dermatologists & Venereologists, C/o-
Dr. T. K. Mehta, Polyclinic, Opp. Roxy Cinema 20, M, P. Road, Bombay-4.

Subject:—Writing of medical text books by Indian Authors—Proposal
regarding grant of assistance.

Sir,

I am directed to say that the Government of India, in the Ministry of Education and Youth Services, New Delhi, are considering a proposal to grant financial assistance to Indian authors for the writing of manuscripts of text books in various branches required for first degree course of medical science e.g. Anatomy, Physiology, Pharmacology, Pathology, Microbiology, Anaesthesiology, Biochemistry, E. N. & T, Dentistry, Embryology, Food and Nutrition, Histology, Haematology, Medicine, Surgery, Neurology, Medical Jurisprudence, Obstetrics, Gynaecology etc.

In case your Association is interested to take up the task of writing of Medical Text Books on the subjects pertaining to your Association a self contained proposal on the subject may kindly be forwarded to the Government of India, Ministry of Education and Youth Services, New Delhi (Shri T. S. Krishnamurti, Deputy Secretary by name) for consideration of the Government of India, under intimation to the Government of India, Ministry of Health, FP, WH & UD (Deptt. of Health) New Delhi, and this Directorate. The terms of the Financial assistance required in this regard and its quantum, may also kindly be indicated.

Yours faithfully,

D. N. Mulay)

For Director General of Health Services.

SCHEME OF SUBSIDISED PUBLICATION OF UNIVERSITY BOOKS IN ENGLISH

Title. The scheme shall be called the scheme of 'SUBSIDISED PUBLICATION OF UNIVERSITY LEVEL BOOKS IN ENGLISH', and shall be operated by National Book Trust.

Scope. The scheme is intended to provide low priced standard educational material. This may be in the form of text books, reference books or other reading material.

In the first instance, the books primarily intended to be placed in the text book libraries and other libraries of colleges and universities will be taken in hand, so that the poorest and the most needy students may be assisted.

SELECTION OF BOOKS FOR MANUSCRIPTS

In the matter of selection of subjects, preference would be given as far as possible to natural sciences (including Mathematics) and professional subjects like engineering, *medicine*, agriculture.

AGENCY OF PUBLICATION

The publication of approved manuscripts may be by National Book Trust themselves or other publishers as National Book Trust may decide.

PRICING

Whatever may be the source of publication, National Book Trust shall in advance of publication prescribe the maximum retail selling price and the discount to be given to retail sellers. While fixing such price, National Book Trust shall take into account the prices of similar books sold in the market.

SUBSIDY

The amount of subsidy for bringing down the price, wherever considered necessary, shall be fixed by National Book Trust in each case on the basis of the estimated cost of production.

RULES FOR SUBMITTING PROPOSALS

Every proposal shall be accompanied by four copies if the work has already been published and one copy with illustrations and if possible with two or three extra copies of the text alone if it is in manuscript form.

The proposal must indicate the discipline for which the work is intended and also the level of study intended to be covered.

The proposal should be accompanied by a certificate from an eminent educationist of the rank of Dean of Studies in a University certifying the excellence of the work and its need for the student-community and advancement of learning.

The nationality of the author should be indicated clearly.

Adaptations or reprints of the foreign works will be eligible for consideration only if accompanied by a suitable concurrence of the owners of copyright.

The estimated cost of production of the work submitted shall be provided in the proforma attached herewith together with the number of copies proposed to be published in the project edition.

The publication shall be completed with period prescribed by the Trust in consultation with the publisher.
