

5.1.1.

POLICY DOCUMENTS FOR SCHOLARSHIPS AND FREESHIPS PROVIDED BY THE GOVERNMENT DURING THE YEAR, 2022-2023

Gargaon College

Simaluguri-785686

Rules for Award for NEC Merit Scholarship

Scheme: "Financial Support to the Students of N.E.R for Higher Professional Courses" (NEC Merit Scholarship)

1. **INTRODUCTION**

1.1 Secretary, North Eastern Council (NEC) is pleased to make the following rules to regulate the grant of NEC Merit Scholarship (*hereinafter* "scholarship") to the students of the North East (NE) Region undergoing studies in different disciplines at different levels in Institutions inside as well as outside the North-East but within the country as specified hereinafter. The rules may be called "Rules for award of NEC Merit Scholarship". These rules shall come into force from the Financial year 2020-21 and will supersede the previous rules on the above mentioned scheme.

2. SCOPE

2.1 These scholarships are available for studies in India only and shall be awarded by the North Eastern Council, Ministry of Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region, Government of India, Shillong to the eligible candidates of the North Eastern States.

3. ELIGIBILITY CONDITIONS

- 3.1 The scholarship is open only to a student who is a permanent resident of any of the North Eastern States.
- 3.2 For candidates belonging to Academic Year 2020-21 and onwards, the scholarship under this scheme shall be disbursed only through National Scholarship Portal (NSP). However, the students, who already have been receiving scholarship before these rules coming into force, shall continue to receive their scholarships as per the prevailing procedure till end of their scholarships tenure.
- 3.3 Once selected, the scholarship shall be available to a selected student for the prescribed duration of a course subject to fulfillment of renewal conditions, as specified under Para 6 of these rules. Extension of scholarship beyond the prescribed period of study will not be entertained.
 - Note 1:- [Student enrolled in integrated course will be entitled to receive the scholarship for the full duration of the course as per the admissible rates at para 7.1.]
 - Note 2: [The scholarship for M.Phil. will be available for 2 years and for Ph.D scholarship shall be for 3 years.]
- 3.4 At the time of availing the scholarship, the student must not be in receipt of any other scholarship/financial assistance from any other source. A sponsored candidate under full employment during the period of study or working/in-service candidates shall not be eligible to receive the scholarship.
- 3.5 A student shall only be considered for scholarship in the year of commencement of his/her course. For subsequent year of course, only renewal will be allowed.

- 3.6 Scholarship shall be admissible to students who get admission in Diploma, Degree, Post-graduate or registration in M.Phil. / Ph.D courses of any institute recognized by the Government. The grant of scholarship for M.Phil and Ph.D would be after the registration of the students with the University. The Scholarship will not be available for internship or any practical training.
- 3.7 The scholarship shall be admissible to the students whose parent / guardian's annual income from all sources shall not exceed Rs 8.0 lakh. The income certificate issued by the competent authority shall be furnished by the candidate.
- 3.8 The student must fulfill the following eligibility criteria in the previous qualifying examination for consideration of scholarship:

Level	Qualifying examination					
Diploma	HSLC/HSSLC/Secondary School Leaving /Senior Secondary Leaving					
	certificate examination from a recognised State/Central board with					
	minimum 60% marks in aggregate.					
Degree	HSSLC/Senior Secondary Leaving certificate examination from a					
	recognised State/Central board with minimum 60% marks in aggregate.					
Post	Degree level examination in any discipline (BA/BSc/BE/B					
Graduate	Tech/MBBS/LLB/BCA/BBA etc. of any recognized Institute/ University					
	with minimum 60% marks in aggregate.					
M.Phil./Ph.D	PG degree from any recognized University with minimum 60% marks in					
	aggregate.					

4. APPLICATION AND VERIFICATION PROCESS

- 4.1 Respective Department of the State Governments / NEC will announce the details of the Scheme and invite applications by issuing an advertisement in the leading newspapers and through the websites and other media outfits. The advertisement shall give pertinent details, about scheme, certificates etc. are required to be uploaded /submitted along with the application form and timelines. The advertisement will also be displayed prominently on National Scholarship Portal.
- 4.2 The applicants are required to fill up application form on National Scholarship Portal (NSP) (www.scholarships.in), within the prescribed date for receipt of application, following due procedure/guidelines mentioned thereon. They may also fill up the application form using NSP Mobile app or UMANG Mobile App. The applicants are, however, encouraged to apply at the earliest as it will provide them opportunity to make correction/updating etc. in their application, if suggested by the verification authority.
- 4.3 The applicant must be in possession of following documents at the time of application. He/She may be asked to upload a scanned copy of these documents as per requirement or extant rules /guidelines.
- a) Permanent Residential Certificate (PRC) issued by the Dy. Commissioner /Addl. Dy. Commissioners/ Sub-divisional officer of civil sub-divisions in NE States; except Sikkim where Certificate of Identification (COI) issued by the respective Deputy Commissioner in the Govt. of Sikkim to its Permanent residents. Certificate from any other authority will not be accepted. (Mandatory)

- b) Income Certificate issued by the Competent Authority (**Mandatory**)
- c) Bank Account Pass Book Account must be in the name of applicant (**Optional**)
- d) Details of qualifying examination (**Mandatory**)
- e) Synopsis signed by the project guide / Director (Research) or any official authorized by the Institute/University in the case of M.Phil/Ph.D. candidates (**Mandatory**).
- f) Any other document as may be required under NSP guidelines.
- 4.4 There will be two level of verification of the application. First level of verification is at the institute level and Second level verification will be carried out by the domicile state of NE Region of the applicant.
- 4.5 The present institute of the applicant must have registered itself on NSP using assigned **U-DISE/AISHE/NCVT Code** and following the prescribed procedure, for verifying the applications on NSP. The application of students which could not be verified because their institute is not register on NSP, will not be considered for scholarship. All NE States must ensure that all institutes where the eligible candidates are studying are on-boarded on NSP timely.
- 4.6 The second level verification of applications will be done by the Nodal Officer nominated for the purpose by the respective NE State Governments.
- 4.7 It will be the responsibility of the designated Institute Nodal Officer to verify that the student fulfils the eligibility conditions under the scheme. He will be provided with an option to accept, reject or mark as defective to each application. The Nodal officers are advised to satisfy themselves that all details submitted by the candidate are correct. To ascertain the correctness, they may examine the uploaded documents and/or documents available in the records of Institute. They may also ask the student to produce original copy of the document, wherever required. They may also be provided with an option on NSP to return the application to the student for correction, if any error is noticed in the application. The Nodal offices are, however, requested to verify the applications at the earliest so that necessary opportunity may be provided to students to carry out any required correction in their applications or submit additional documents wherever required.

5. SELECTION FOR SCHOLARSHIPS AND DISBURSAL

- 5.1 The merit lists will be drawn from among finally verified applications as per the scheme guidelines and after following the laid down procedure on the NSP.
- 5.2 Selection of students for M. Phil and Ph. D. will be done on the basis of topic of research/Synopsis which has relevance to the problems/issues related to NE Region. The Subjects/topics for M.Phil and Ph.D should invariably be directly, specifically and currently relevant to NE Region. Basic and theoretical research shall not be favoured in general.
- 5.3 The scholarship is purely on merit basis. The merit list will be prepared exclusively on the basis of marks obtained by the candidate in the qualifying exams and complying with the level-of-course-wise slots allotted to the states as mentioned in para 7.3 below.
- 5.4 In case of tie, preference shall be given to the candidate having lesser family income.

- 5.5 There will not be any reservation/quota on the basis of category/religion/gender.
- 5.6 In case the allotted quota as mentioned at para 7.3 below, remains unfilled for want of eligible candidates, the same may be distributed to remaining eligible students from other NE States, as per their *inter se* merit list.
- 5.7 The scholarships will be disbursed to selected students by NEC directly in their provided and verified bank accounts using DBT mode as per the extant guidelines.

[Note 4 - The student must ensure that the Bank Account should be in the name of the applicant, preferably linked to her/his Aadhaar. The Bank Account should be kept operational /active till complete tenure of the scholarship. NEC shall not be responsible in case the Scholarship amount is not credited due to payment failure at Bank level.]

6. RENEWAL OF SCHOLARSHIP

- 6.1 A student selected for scholarship shall be eligible for receipt of scholarship for the entire period of course or as per limits prescribed in Para 3.3 before, through renewal of the scholarship process. Renewal of Scholarship under the scheme, however, is not an automatic process and is subject to fulfillment of certain terms and conditions as mentioned in subsequent para.
- 6.2 Every renewal of scholarship is for a period of one academic year only, if not otherwise specified. All existing and eligible beneficiaries of the scholarship are required to fill up the renewal form on NSP every year during their entire course period. The student shall be required to upload previous exam marks-sheet/pass certificate during renewal application. In case of students studying in M.Phil / PhD., the renewal application shall be accompanied with latest progress report from the guide countersigned by the Registrar of the Institute.
- 6.3 To draw scholarship under renewal category, the beneficiary must pass in the particular year **or** be promoted to next semester/year. In case the student could not pass all papers but promoted to next year, as per extant rules, he/she may be considered for renewal of scholarships subject to the condition that no additional backlog, from previous years', are pending against his/her name. In case the student is not promoted to next year or having backlog papers pending against his/her name for more than one year, he/she shall not receive further scholarship for the remaining course period. It will be the responsibility of Institute level verifying officer to ensure that the student has been promoted to year or does not have pending backlog papers for more than year, before accepting the application on NSP for further processing. Otherwise, such applications shall be rejected on NSP after recording reasons.
- 6.4 Any break in scholarship, during the entire course period, shall make the beneficiary non-eligible for further receipt of scholarship for that specific course. The students shall not be provided with an option to make renewal applications in subsequent years. The student may, however, apply as a fresh applicant, upon securing admission in any advance course, at a later stage.

[Exception – In case a beneficiary discontinues his/her study on advice of medical authorities, may submit a medical certificate from the District medical Officer/Jt Director of State Health Services, clearly indicating the course and period of such break in study supported with documents from the institute of study, to the Director, HRD & E, NEC for consideration of renewal/continuation of scholarship].

- 6.5 A request for renewal of students who have changed their subject of study will not be entertained for renewal if the students has availed the scholarship for the previous course or part of it.
- 6.6 A request for renewal of scholarship of such student beneficiaries who have changed their Institution of study will not be entertained for renewal.
- 6.7 There will be no merit list generation for renewal applications.
- 6.8 Renewal scholarship will be disbursed to all eligible and duly verified applications by NEC, directly in their verified bank accounts using DBT mode as per the extant guidelines.
- 6.9 The request for renewal of scholarships of all existing applications belonging to Academic Year 2019-20 and before will be processed as per the prevailing procedure during Academic Year 2019-20, where respective State Government will be responsible for directly disbursing scholarships in the student's bank accounts.

7. OTHER CONDITIONS UNDER THE SCHEME

7.1 The rates of scholarships are subject to revision from time to time. As and when need arises for such revision a Committee will be appointed by the Secretary, NEC for the purpose. The present rate of scholarship for related Subjects/Courses at different levels is as under:

Level of Study	Scholarship amount for fresh and renewal cases (existing students)
Diploma	20,000/-p.a.
Degree	22,000/- p.a.
Post graduate	25,000/- p.a.
M. Phil./Ph D	30,000/- p.a.

- 7.2 The various courses of studies at different levels for which NEC's financial assistance is admissible would be those as decided by the NEC from time to time keeping in view the requirements of specialized manpower of the North Eastern Region.
- 7.3 The number of Fresh Scholarships to be awarded every year to candidates of different NER states at different levels may be as follows:

SNo	State	Diploma	Degree	PG Degree	M.Phil / PhD	Total
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.	Arunachal Pradesh	20	130	52	7	209
2.	Assam	30	200	80	10	320
3.	Manipur	18	120	48	6	192
4.	Meghalaya	18	120	48	6	192
5.	Mizoram	18	120	48	6	192
6.	Nagaland	18	120	48	6	192

7.	Sikkim	10	70	28	3	111
8.	Tripura	18	120	48	6	192
	Total	150	1000	400	50	1600

- 7.4 The above numbers are fixed as per the normative allocation accepted for the respective NE States. The number of scholarship for the renewal cases shall be as per actual for different NE states and the scholarship amount as per the accepted rates as mentioned above shall be utilized both for the fresh candidates and renewal cases (existing students selected for the NEC Scholarship).
- 7.5 NEC may increase or decrease the total numbers of scholarships subject to availability of fund/allocation of budget from time to time. However, the numbers would be fixed as per the normative allocation accepted for different NE states.
- 7.6 Students selected for grant of NEC Scholarship will be entitled to receive same from the date of admission/date of commencement (Date of registration in case of M.Phil / Ph.D.) whichever is later till completion of the course, subject to maximum period as prescribed in Para 3.3 above.
- 7.8 In case of doubt/clarification regarding the above rules, the matter shall be referred to the Director (HRD&E), North Eastern Council Secretariat, Shillong 793003, Contact No. 03642522674.

Rules for Award for NEC Merit Scholarship Scheme: "Financial Support to the Students of N.E.R for Higher Professional Courses" (NEC Merit Scholarship)

1. **INTRODUCTION**

1.1 Secretary, North Eastern Council (NEC) is pleased to make the following rules to regulate the grant of NEC Merit Scholarship (*hereinafter* "scholarship") to the students of the North East (NE) Region undergoing studies in different disciplines at different levels in Institutions inside as well as outside the North-East but within the country as specified hereinafter. The rules may be called "Rules for award of NEC Merit Scholarship". These rules shall come into force from the Financial year 2020-21 and will supersede the previous rules on the above mentioned scheme.

2. **SCOPE**

2.1 These scholarships are available for studies in India only and shall be awarded by the North Eastern Council, Ministry of Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region, Government of India, Shillong to the eligible candidates of the North Eastern States.

3. ELIGIBILITY CONDITIONS

- 3.1 The scholarship is open only to a student who is a permanent resident of any of the North Eastern States.
- 3.2 For candidates belonging to Academic Year 2020-21 and onwards, the scholarship under this scheme shall be disbursed only through National Scholarship Portal (NSP). However, the students, who already have been receiving scholarship before these rules coming into force, shall continue to receive their scholarships as per the prevailing procedure till end of their scholarships tenure.
- 3.3 Once selected, the scholarship shall be available to a selected student for the prescribed duration of a course subject to fulfillment of renewal conditions, as specified under Para 6 of these rules. Extension of scholarship beyond the prescribed period of study will not be entertained.
 - [Note 1: Students pursuing dual course (Degree+PG) will be entitled to receive scholarship for Degree Level only. For the next level of courses, the candidate has to apply separately.
 - Note 2: Students selected for Diploma level will be entitled to receive

scholarship for Diploma level only. The students cannot claim for continuance of scholarship for Degree Level.

- Note 3: The scholarship for M.Phil. will be available for 2 years and for Ph.D scholarship shall be for 3 years.]
- 3.4 At the time of availing the scholarship, the student must not be in receipt of any other scholarship/financial assistance from any other source. A sponsored candidate under full employment during the period of study or working/in-service candidates shall not be eligible to receive the scholarship.
- 3.5 A student shall only be considered for scholarship in the year of commencement of his/her course. For subsequent year of course, only renewal will be allowed.
- 3.6 Scholarship shall be admissible to students who get admission in Diploma, Degree, Post-graduate or registration in M.Phil. / Ph.D courses of any institute recognised by the Government. The grant of scholarship for M.Phil and Ph.D would be after the registration of the students with the University. The Scholarship will not be available for internship or any practical training.
- 3.7 The scholarship shall be admissible to the students whose parent / guardian's annual income from all sources shall not exceed Rs 8.0 lakh. The income certificate issued by the competent authority shall be furnished by the candidate.
- 3.8 The student must fulfill the following eligibility criteria in the previous qualifying examination for consideration of scholarship:

Level	Qualifying examination
Diploma	HSLC/HSSLC/Secondary School Leaving /Senior Secondary Leaving
	certificate examination from a recognised State/Central board with
	minimum 60% marks in aggregate.
Degree	HSLC/HSSLC/Secondary School Leaving /Senior Secondary Leaving
	certificate examination from a recognised State/Central board with
	minimum 60% marks in aggregate.
Post	Degree level examination in any discipline (BA/BSc/BE/B
Graduate	Tech/MBBS/LLB/BCA/BBA etc. of any recognised Institute/ University
	with minimum 60% marks in aggregate.
M.Phil./Ph.D	PG degree from any recognised University with minimum 60% marks in
	aggregate.

4. APPLICATION AND VERIFICATION PROCESS

- 4.1 Respective Department of the State Governments / NEC will announce the details of the Scheme and invite applications by issuing an advertisement in the leading newspapers and through the websites and other media outfits. The advertisement shall give pertinent details, about scheme, certificates etc. are required to be uploaded /submitted along with the application form and timelines. The advertisement will also be displayed prominently on National Scholarship Portal.
- 4.2 The applicants are required to fill up application form on National Scholarship Portal (NSP) (www.scholarships.in), within the prescribed date for receipt of application, following

due procedure/guidelines mentioned thereon. They may also fill up the application form using NSP Mobile app or UMANG Mobile App. The applicants are, however, encouraged to apply at the earliest as it will provide them opportunity to make correction/updation etc. in their application, if suggested by the verification authority.

- 4.3 The applicant must be in possession of following documents at the time of application. He/She may be asked to upload a scanned copy of these documents as per requirement or extant rules /guidelines.
- g) Permanent Residential Certificate (PRC) issued by the Dy. Commissioner /Addl. Dy. Commissioners/ Sub-divisional officer of civil sub-divisions in NE States; except Sikkim where Certificate of Identification (COI) issued by the respective Deputy Commissioner in the Govt. of Sikkim to its Permanent residents. Certificate from any other authority will not be accepted. (Mandatory)
- h) Income Certificate issued by the Competent Authority (Mandatory)
- i) Bank Account Pass Book Account must be in the name of applicant (**Optional**)
- j) Details of qualifying examination (**Mandatory**)
- k) Synopsis signed by the project guide / Director(Research) or any official authorised by the Institute/University in the case of M.Phil/Ph.D. candidates (**Mandatory**).
- 1) Any other document as may be required under NSP guidelines.
- 4.4 There will be two level of verification of the application. First level of verification is at the institute level and Second level verification will be carried out by the domicile state of NE Region of the applicant.
- 4.5 The present institute of the applicant must have registered itself on NSP using assigned U-DISE/AISHE/NCVT Code and following the prescribed procedure, for verifying the applications on NSP. The application of students which could not be verified because their institute is not register on NSP, will not be considered for scholarship. All NE States must ensure that all institutes where the eligible candidates are studying are on-boarded on NSP timely.
- 4.6 The second level verification of applications will be done by the Nodal Officer nominated for the purpose by the respective NE State Governments.
- 4.7 It will be the responsibility of the designated Institute Nodal Officer to verify that the student fulfils the eligibility conditions under the scheme. He will be provided with an option to accept, reject or mark as defective to each application. The Nodal officers are advised to satisfy themselves that all details submitted by the candidate are correct. To ascertain the correctness, they may examine the uploaded documents and/or documents available in the records of Institute. They may also ask the student to produce original copy of the document, wherever required. They may also be provided with an option on NSP to return the application to the student for correction, if any error is noticed in the application. The Nodal offices are, however, requested to verify the applications at the earliest so that necessary opportunity may be provided to students to carry out any required correction in their applications or submit additional documents wherever required.

5. SELECTION FOR SCHOLARSHIPS AND DISBURSAL

- 5.1 The merit lists will be drawn from among finally verified applications as per the scheme guidelines and after following the laid down procedure on the NSP.
- 5.2 Selection of students for M. Phil and Ph. D. will be done on the basis of topic of research/Synopsis which has relevance to the problems/issues related to NE Region. The Subjects/topics for M.Phil and Ph.D should invariably be directly, specifically and currently relevant to NE Region. Basic and theoretical research shall not be favoured in general.
- 5.3 The scholarship is purely on merit basis. The merit list will be prepared exclusively on the basis of marks obtained by the candidate in the qualifying exams and complying with the level-of-course-wise slots allotted to the states as mentioned in para 7.3 below.
- 5.4 In case of tie, preference shall be given to the candidate having lesser family income.
- 5.5 There will not be any reservation/quota on the basis of category/religion/gender.
- 5.6 In case the allotted quota as mentioned at para 7.3 below, remains unfilled for want of eligible candidates, the same may be distributed to remaining eligible students from other NE States, as per their *inter se* merit list.
- 5.7 The scholarships will be disbursed to selected students by NEC directly in their provided and verified bank accounts using DBT mode as per the extant guidelines.
 - [Note 4 The student must ensure that the Bank Account should be in the name of the applicant, preferably linked to her/his Aadhaar. The Bank Account should be kept operational /active till complete tenure of the scholarship. NEC shall not be responsible in case the Scholarship amount is not credited due to payment failure at Bank level.]

6. RENEWAL OF SCHOLARSHIP

- 6.1 A student selected for scholarship shall be eligible for receipt of scholarship for the entire period of course or as per limits prescribed in Para 3.3 before, through renewal of the scholarship process. Renewal of Scholarship under the scheme, however, is not an automatic process and is subject to fulfillment of certain terms and conditions as mentioned in subsequent para.
- 6.2 Every renewal of scholarship is for a period of one academic year only, if not otherwise specified. All existing and eligible beneficiaries of the scholarship are required to fill up the renewal form on NSP every year during their entire course period. The student shall be required to upload previous exam marks-sheet/pass certificate during renewal application. In case of students studying in M.Phil / PhD., the renewal application shall be accompanied with latest progress report from the guide countersigned by the Registrar of the Institute.
- 6.3 To draw scholarship under renewal category, the beneficiary must pass in the particular year **or** be promoted to next semester/year. In case the student could not pass all papers but promoted to next year, as per extant rules, he/she may be considered for renewal of scholarships subject to the condition that no additional backlog, from previous years', are pending against his/her name. In case the student is not promoted to next year or having backlog papers pending against his/her name for more than one year, he/she shall not receive

further scholarship for the remaining course period. It will be the responsibility of Institute level verifying officer to ensure that the student has been promoted to year or does not have pending backlog papers for more than year, before accepting the application on NSP for further processing. Otherwise, such applications shall be rejected on NSP after recording reasons.

6.4 Any break in scholarship, during the entire course period, shall make the beneficiary non-eligible for further receipt of scholarship for that specific course. The students shall not be provided with an option to make renewal applications in subsequent years. The student may, however, apply as a fresh applicant, upon securing admission in any advance course, at a later stage.

[Exception – In case a beneficiary discontinues his/her study on advice of medical authorities, may submit a medical certificate from the District medical Officer/Jt Director of State Health Services, clearly indicating the course and period of such break in study supported with documents from the institute of study, to the Director, HRD & E, NEC for consideration of renewal/continuation of scholarship].

- 6.5 A request for renewal of students who have changed their subject of study will not be entertained for renewal if the students has availed the scholarship for the previous course or part of it.
- 6.6 A request for renewal of scholarship of such student beneficiaries who have changed their Institution of study will not be entertained for renewal.
- 6.7 There will be no merit list generation for renewal applications.
- 6.8 Renewal scholarship will be disbursed to all eligible and duly verified applications by NEC, directly in their verified bank accounts using DBT mode as per the extant guidelines.
- 6.9 The request for renewal of scholarships of all existing applications belonging to Academic Year 2019-20 and before will be processed as per the prevailing procedure during Academic Year 2019-20, where respective State Government will be responsible for directly disbursing scholarships in the student's bank accounts.

7. OTHER CONDITIONS UNDER THE SCHEME

7.1 The rates of scholarships are subject to revision from time to time. As and when need arises for such revision a Committee will be appointed by the Secretary, NEC for the purpose. The present rate of scholarship for related Subjects/Courses at different levels is as under:

Level of Study	Scholarship amount for fresh and renewal cases (existing students)
Diploma	20,000/-p.a.
Degree	22,000/- p.a.
Post graduate	25,000/- p.a.
M. Phil./Ph D	30,000/- p.a.

7.2 The various courses of studies at different levels for which NEC's financial assistance is admissible would be those as decided by the NEC from time to time keeping in view the requirements of specialized manpower of the North Eastern Region.

7.3 The number of Fresh Scholarships to be awarded every year to candidates of different NER states at different levels may be as follows:

SNo	State	Diploma	Degree	PG Degree	M.Phil / PhD	Total
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.	Arunachal Pradesh	20	130	52	7	209
2.	Assam	30	200	80	10	320
3.	Manipur	18	120	48	6	192
4.	Meghalaya	18	120	48	6	192
5.	Mizoram	18	120	48	6	192
6.	Nagaland	18	120	48	6	192
7.	Sikkim	10	70	28	3	111
8.	Tripura	18	120	48	6	192
	Total	150	1000	400	50	1600

- 7.4 The above numbers are fixed as per the normative allocation accepted for the respective NE States. The number of scholarship for the renewal cases shall be as per actual for different NE states and the scholarship amount as per the accepted rates as mentioned above shall be utilised both for the fresh candidates and renewal cases (existing students selected for the NEC Scholarship).
- 7.5 NEC may increase or decrease the total numbers of scholarships subject to availability of fund/allocation of budget from time to time. However, the numbers would be fixed as per the normative allocation accepted for different NE states.
- 7.6 Students selected for grant of NEC Scholarship will be entitled to receive same from the date of admission/date of commencement (Date of registration in case of M.Phil / Ph.D.) whichever is later till completion of the course, subject to maximum period as prescribed in Para 3.3 above.
- 7.8 In case of doubt/clarification regarding the above rules, the matter shall be referred to the Director (HRD&E), North Eastern Council Secretariat, Shillong 793003, Contact No. 03642522674.



UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION

NEW DELHI

GUIDELINES FOR "ISHAN UDAY" SPECIAL SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME FOR NORTH EASTERN REGION

1. BACKGROUND

The Ministry of HRD and the University Grants Commission has taken special interest with regard to promotion of higher education in the NER. For improving the GER, promoting higher education and for encouraging children belonging to economically weaker section of the NE region, the UGC has decided to launch "IshanUday" Special Scholarship Scheme for North Eastern Region from academic session 2014-15.Before launching the scheme the UGC undertook wide ranging consultations with Governments and Central & State Universities of the NE region, the Ministry of HRD, the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region, the North Eastern Council, Shillong and other stakeholders.

2. OBJECTIVES

- 1) To provide equal opportunities for higher studies in NE Region.
- 2) To increase the Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) in NE Region.
- 3) To focus more on professional education in NE Region.
- 4) Optimum utilization of NER Budgetary Allocation.

3. SCOPE

Ten thousand (10,000) fresh scholarships every yearbeginning from the academic year 2014-15 for general degree courses, technical and professional courses, including medical and paramedical courses as certified by the Registrar/ Principal/ Director of University/ College/ Institute.

> Students with domicile of NER, whose parental annual income does not exceed Rs.4.5 lakh per annum from all sources.

- ➤ Passed XII or equivalent in the preceding year of study i.e. 2017 for applications called for during year 2017-18.
- ➤ Secured admission in first year of any degree course, either general degree course of technical/professional/ medical/ paramedical course (Integrated courses included) in any of the following University/ College/ Institute:-
 - Universities/Institutions/Colleges included under Section 2(f) and 12 (B) of UGC Act.
 - Deemed to be Universities included under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956 and eligible to receive grants-in-aid from UGC.
 - Universities/Institutions/Colleges funded by Central / State Government.
 - Institutes of National Importance.
 - Institutions recognized by other Statutory councils within as well as outside
 - The admission should have been made in University/ Institution/ College with AISHE code.
- Note: 1) For students of integrated degree couses, scholarship will be tenable for the complete duration of the course.
 - 2) For dual degree course, the scholarship will only be tenable for the tenure of first degree.
- ➤ For availing scholarship under this scheme, the income of the parents of the student should not exceed Rs.4.5 lakh per annum.
- > Transgender candidates are eligible to apply under the scheme. The reservation shall be followed as per Government of India norms.

5. EXCLUSIONS

The following shall not be eligible under this scheme-

- 1) Students pursuing courses/programs through Open Universities.
- 2) Students already availing scholarship for pursuing the Undergraduate programmeunder any other scheme(s).
- 3) Students gaining admission through 'management quota'.
- 4) Students pursuing courses, such as Diploma Courses, not leading to award of a Degree.
- 5) Students whose parents' income exceeds Rs.4.5 lakh per annumrsuing courses, such as Diploma Courses, not leading to award of degree.

6. SLOTS

- ➤ UGC will award 10,000 (ten thousand) fresh scholarships per year.
- Allocation of slots for each State shall be done based upon the population (latest census report) of the respective State. If the slots remain vacant in any particular State, the unfilled slots shall be distributed equitably among other States.
 - There shall be three Percent horizontal reservation for differently- abled persons.

7. AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

Rs.5400/- per month for general degree course and Rs.7800/- per month for technical/medical/professional/paramedical courses.

8. PROCEDURE FOR APPLYING FOR THE SCHEME

- Applications will be invited once in a year on the National e-Scholarship Portal of the Government of India. Short notification will also be uploaded on the UGC website.
- At the time of applying, the course will be classified as general degree or professional by the concerned University/ Institution/College.
- ➤ Incomplete applications will be summarily rejected. Only verified online applications will be considered for award of scholarship.

9. SELECTION PROCEDURE

- ➤ 10,000 (ten thousand) fresh scholarships will be awarded every year.
- ➤ Distribution of slots amongst the states of NER will be done on the basis of population census(last).
- ➤ If slots in a particular state remain vacant due to non-availability of eligible candidates, the unfilled slots will be distributed equitably amongst other states.
- ➤ Reservation for Persons with Disability (PwD) will be made as per Government of India norms.

10. JOINING

The scholar would be awarded from the date of joining the course as certified by the University/Institution/ College.

11. DURATION OF SCHOLARSHIP

- After selection, the awardees will be paid scholarship on DBT mode.
- ➤ The list of awardees will be pushed to Public Financial Management System (PFMS) by the NIC.

➤ PFMS will generate payment files on the basis of the nomenclature of course being pursued by the awardee (general degree/ technical/ medical/ professional/ paramedical). Payments will be generated on annual basis.

12. RENEWALS

- > Scholarship granted under the scheme will be kept renewed during the period of first degree course, subject to good conduct and maintenance of prescribed attendance.
- The scholarship will be renewed for the next year of study on receipt of a annual progress report to be granted by the administrative head of the University/ Institution/ College.(E.g. Registrar of a University/ Director of the Institution/ Principal of the College or any other officer designated by them).
- > Students failing to get promoted to the next class/ level would forfeit the scholarship.
- ➤ Change in course of study will not be permitted. If the awardee changes the course of study, the scholarship will stand forfeited from the date of such a change.
- > Scheme will be implemented and monitored by the UGC.
- ➤ The awardees of previous years will continue to follow the UGC pattern of assistance through the designated bank branches of Canara Bank.

13. PROCEDURE FOR DISBURSEMENT

Scholarship (as certified by the institutions identified under this scheme) will be paid to the selected students by the UGC through DBT (Direct Benefit Transfer) Mode and will be transferred to the Bank account of the beneficiaries. This procedure will be completed through the PFMS.

14. DOCUMENTS

The following documents will be uploaded at the time of applying under the scheme on the NeSP.

- 1. Domicile certificate to be issued by the competent authority.
- 2. Proof of annual income to be issued by the competent authority.
- 3.For renewals, the annual progress report and continuation of studies will be required to be uploaded/verified by the concerned University/ Institution/ College.

Centrally Sponsored Scheme of

Post-Matric Scholarship for OBC Students for studying in India

(Revised w.e.f. September 2018)

Scheme Guidelines:

I. OBJECTIVE

The objective of the scheme is to provide financial assistance to the OBC students studying at post-matriculation or post-secondary stage to enable them to complete their education.

II. SCOPE

These scholarships shall be available for studies in India only and will be awarded by the Government of State/Union Territory to which the applicant actually belongs, i.e. permanently settled.

III. CONDITIONS OF ELIGIBILITY

- i. The scholarships will be open to Indian nationals belonging to OBCs, as notified by
 ii. These scholarships will be open to Indian nationals belonging to OBCs, as notified by
- ii. These scholarships will be given for the study of all recognized post-matriculation or post-secondary courses pursued in recognized institutions as specified in para
- iii. Only those candidates who belong to OBCs so specified in relation to the State/UT to which the applicant actually belongs, i.e. permanently settled and who have passed the Matriculation or Higher secondary or any higher examination of a recognized University or Board of Secondary Education will be eligible.

iv. Candidates who, after passing one stage of education, are studying in the same stage of education in different subject e.g. I. Sc. after I.A or B.Com. after B.A. or
v. Students who after basing consolidations.

v. Students who, after having completed their educational career in one professional line, e.g., LLB after B.T/B. Ed will not be eligible.

vi. Students studying in XI Class of the Higher Secondary School courses or the XII class of the Multipurpose High School will not be eligible for it being a continuous school course. However, in cases, where tenth class examination of such courses is join other courses, such students will be treated as post-matric students and will vii. Students pursuing P.

vii. Students pursuing Post-graduate courses in medicine will be eligible only if they are not allowed to practice during the period of their course.

viii. Students who after failing or passing the Under Graduate/Post-Graduate examinations in Arts/Science/Commerce join any recognized professional or otherwise eligible. No subsequent failure will be awarded scholarships if Group 'A' and no further change in the course will be allowed thereafter.

ix. Students who pursue their studies through correspondence courses will be eligible towards reimbursement of non-refundable fee. The term correspondence includes distant and continuing education. Besides reimbursement of non-refundable fee, such students will also be eligible for an annual allowance of Rs. 900/- for essential/prescribed books, as applicable.

x. Scholarships should be restricted upto two boys of the same parents/guardian.

This restriction will, however, not apply to girls.

xi. A scholarship holder under this Scheme will not hold any other scholarship/stipend. If awarded any other scholarship/stipend, the students can exercise his/her option for either of the two scholarships/stipends, whichever is more beneficial to him/her and should inform the awarding authority through the Head of the Institution about the option made. No scholarship will be paid to the students under this Scheme from the date he/she accepts any other scholarships/stipend. The student can however, accept free lodging or a grant or ad-hoc monetary help from the State Government or any other source for the purchase of books, equipment or for meeting the expenses on board and lodging, in addition to the scholarship amount paid under the Scheme.

xii. Scholarship holders who are receiving coaching in any of the pre-examination training centers with financial assistance from the Central Government/State Government will not be eligible for stipend under the coaching schemes for the

duration of the coaching programme.

xiii. Employed students whose income combined with the income of their parents/guardians does not exceed Rs. 1.50 lakh per annum shall be eligible for post-matric scholarship to the extent of reimbursement of all compulsorily payable non-refundable fee.

xiv. Unemployed students whose parents/guardians income from all sources does not exceed Rs. 1.50 lakh per annum will be entitled for the scholarship under the Scheme.

Note 1: So long as either of the parents (or husband in the case of married unemployed girl students) are alive, only income of the parents/husband, as the case may be, from all sources has to be taken into account and of no other members even though they may be earning. In the form of income declaration, income is to be declared on this basis. Only in the case where both the parents or husband in the case of married but unemployed girl student have died, the income of the guardian who is supporting the student in his/her studies has to be taken into consideration. Such students whose parent's income is affected due to death of one of earning parents and resultantly comes within the income ceiling prescribed under the scheme, shall become eligible for scholarship, subject to their fulfilling other conditions of eligibility, from the month in which such death takes place. The applications for the scholarship from such students can be considered even after lapse of last date of receipt of applications, on compassionate grounds.

Note 2: House Rent Allowance received by the parents of a student be exempted from the computation of 'income' if the same has been permitted to be exempted for purpose of Income-Tax.

Note 3: Income Certificate is required to be taken once only, i.e. at the time of admission of courses, which are continuing for more than one year.

IV. VALUE OF SCHOLARSHIP

The value of scholarship will include Maintenance Allowance, Reader Charges for blind students, reimbursement of compulsory non-refundable fee, Study Tour Charges/thesis typing/printing charges and book allowance for students pursuing correspondence course, for complete duration of the course as per details given below:-

i)	Maintenance	Allowance
	the state of the s	

Co	ourse of (1)		Month) Rate Maintenance
		Hostellers	Day Scholars (3)
Gr	oup-A	[
(vi)	management & medicine. C.A./I.C.W.A./C.S./I.C.F.A. etc. M. Phil., Ph.D. and Post-Doctoral Programmes (D. Litt., D.Sc. etc.) L.L.M.		350
Gro	Graduate/Post/Graduate courses leading to Degree, Diploma, Certificate in areas like Pharmacy (B. Pharma), Nursing (B Nursing), LLB, BFS, other paramedial branches like rehabilitation diagnostics etc., Mass Communication, Hotel Management & Catering, Travel/Tourism/Hospitality Management, Interior Decoration, Nutrition & Dietetics, Commercial Art, Financial Services (e.g. Banking, Insurance, Taxation etc.) for which entrance qualification is minimum Sr. Secondary (10+2). Post Graduate courses not covered under Group A e.g. MA/M.Sc./M.Com/ M.Ed./M.Pharma etc.	10	335
ros	U and Comment of the		
rou	ther courses leading to a graduate degree not covered under	1	

Group-D

All post-matriculation level non-degree courses for which entrance qualification is High School (Class X), e.g. senior secondary certificate (class XI and XII); both general and vocational stream, ITI courses, 3 year diploma courses in Polytechnics, etc.

160

Note: Scholars who are entitled to free boarding and/or lodging will be paid maintenance chargers at 1/3rd of hostellers' rate.

ii) Reader Charges for blind students (Blind Scholars)

The blind scholars will be given additional amount as 'Readers Charges' as mentioned below:-

Group	Reader Allowance (Rs. P.m.)
Group A,B	175
Group C	130
Group D	90

iii) Fees

Scholars will be paid enrolment/registration, tuition, games, union, library, magazine, medical examination and such other fees compulsorily payable by the scholar to the institution or University/Board. Refundable deposit-like caution money, security deposit will, however, be excluded.

iv) Study Tours

Study tour charges upto a maximum of Rs. 900/- per annum limited to the actual expenditure incurred by the student on transportation charges etc., will be paid to the scholars studying professional and technical courses, provided that the head of the institution certifies that the study tour is essential for the scholar for completion of his/her course of study.

v) Thesis Typing /Printing charges

Thesis typing/printing charges upto a maximum of Rs. 1000 will be paid to research scholars on the recommendation of the Head of the Institution.

V. SELECTION OF CANDIDATES

All the eligible Other Backward Classes candidates will be given scholarships subject to the condition of eligibility prescribed in para III of this Scheme. Candidates belonging to one State, but studying in another State, will be awarded scholarship by the State to which they belong and will submit their applications to the competent authorities in that State. In the matter of exemption from fee or other concessions also, they will be treated as studying in their own State.

VI. DURATION AND RENEWAL OF AWARDS

The award once made will be tenable from the stage at which it is given to the completion of course subject to good conduct and regularity in attendance. It will be renewed from year to year if the course is continuing for a number of years, the scholar secures promotion to the next higher class irrespective of the fact whether such examinations are conducted by a University or the Institution.

If an OBC scholar is pursuing Group A course fails in the examination for the first time, the award may be renewed. For second and subsequent failures in any class the student shall bear his/her own expenses until he/she secures promotion to the

iii. If a scholar is unable to appear in the annual examination owing to illness and or on account of any other unforeseeable event, the award may be renewed for the next academic year on submission of medical certificate and/or other required sufficient proof to the satisfaction of the Head of the Institution and his/her certifying that the scholar would have passed had he appeared in the examination.

If according to the Regulations of a University/Institution, a student is promoted to the next higher class even though he/she may not have actually passed in lower class and is required to take examination of the junior class again after sometime, he/she will be entitled to scholarship for the class to which he/she is promoted if the student is otherwise eligible for scholarship.

VII, PAYMENT

Maintenance charges shall be payable from 1st April or from the month of admission, whichever is later, to the month in which the examination are completed at the end of the academic year (including maintenance during holidays) provided that the scholar secures admission after the 20th day of a month, the amount will be made from the month following the month of admission. ii.

In case of renewal of scholarships awarded in the previous years, maintenance charges will be paid from the month following the month up to which scholarship

was paid in the previous year, if the course of study is continuous.

All scholars are expected to purchase the necessary text books, stationary etc., out iii. of the maintenance allowance sanctioned. If it is reported by the Head of the concerned Institution that a scholar is without text-books stationary etc., the value of the scholarship may be reduced at the discretion of the authority sanctioning the iv.

The scholarship money will be paid to the selected students by the government of the State/Union Territory's Administration to which they belong in accordance with the procedure laid down by them in this regard.

Scholarship will not be paid for the period of internship/ housemanship in the M.B.B.S. course or for a practical training in other course if the student is in receipt of some remuneration during the internship period allowance/stipend during the practical training in other course. vi.

30% of the funds allocated earmarked for girl students and 5% for students with

vii. Depending on availability of funds, first preference in disbursement of scholarships would be given to students of Government institutions and then to students of Government aided institutions and thereafter disbursement will be made to the students of unaided private institutions.

VIII. MODE OF DISBURSEMENT OF SCHOLARSHIP

In order to ensure timely payment of scholarship amount to the beneficiaries, the State Government/UT administrations are requested to avoid cash payment of scholarship amount and are required to issue instructions to all concerned that payment of scholarship should be made to beneficiaries through their accounts in post offices/banks. DBT mode should be followed by the States/UTs. Disbursement of Scholarship through Aadhaar seeded bank accounts should be ensured by the States/UTs.

IX. OTHER CONDITIONS FOR THE AWARD

- i. The scholarship is provided on the basis of satisfactory progress and conduct of the scholars. If it is reported by the Head of the Institution at any time that a scholar has, by reasons of his/her own act or default, failed to make satisfactory progress or has been guilty of misconduct such as resorting to or participating in strikes, irregularity in attendance without the permission of the authorities concerned etc., the authority sanctioning the scholarships may either cancel the scholarship or stop or withhold further payment of scholarship for such period as it may think fit.
- ii. If a student is found to have obtained a scholarship by false statement his/her scholarship will be cancelled forthwith and the amount of the scholarship paid will be recovered, at the discretion of the concerned State Government. The student concerned will be blacklisted and debarred for scholarship under any schemes forever.
- iii. A scholarship awarded may be cancelled if the scholar changes the subject of the course of study for which the scholarship were originally awarded or changes the institution of study, without prior approval of the State Government. The Head of the Institution shall inform such cases to the scholar and stop payment of the scholarship money. The amount already paid may also be recovered at the discretion of the State Government.
- iv. A scholar is liable to refund the scholarship amount at the discretion of the State Government, if during the course of the year, the studies for which the scholarship has been awarded, is discontinued by him/her.
- v. The provisions of the scheme can be changed at any time at the discretion of the Government of India.

X. ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE SCHEME

All the State Governments/UT Admns. will announce in the month of May-June, the details of the Scheme and invite applications by issuing an advertisement in the leading newspapers of the State and through other media outfits. All requests for application forms and other particulars should be addressed to the concerned State/UT to which students actually belong. The applicant should submit the completed application to the prescribed authority before the last date prescribed for receipt of applications.

XI. PROCEDURE FOR APPLYING

- An application for scholarship to the prescribed authority should comprise:
 - a. One copy of the application for scholarship in the prescribed form (separate application form may be prescribed by concerned State Government/UT for 'fresh' and 'renewal' scholarship).

b. One copy of the passport size photograph with signatures of the student thereon (for fresh scholarship)

c. One attested copy each of certificates/diploma/degree etc., in respect of all examination passed.

d. A certificate (in original) of Caste signed by an authorized Revenue Officer not below

e. An income declaration by the parents/guardians, stating definite income from all sources by way of income certification from employer along with the affidavit on

non-Judicial Stamp Paper.

- f. A receipt in acknowledgement of the scholarship in the previous year on the form attached to the application duly countersigned by the Head of the Institution concerned, if the applicant was in receipt of a scholarship under this Scheme in the
- In case of online mode of application, the procedure of application may vary as the ii) application is required to be filled online and the documents needs to be uploaded on the website as notified by the prescribed authority of the concerned State/UT.
- iii) Application complete in all respect shall be submitted to the Head of the Institution being attended or last attended by the candidates and shall be addressed to an officer specified for this purpose by the State Government /Union Territory Administration to which the student belongs in accordance with the instructions issued by them from time

XII. 'FUNDS-LIMITED' NATURE OF THE REVISED SCHEME

Due to budgetary constraint and 'funds limited' nature of the existing PMS-OBC Scheme, it is not possible for the Central Government to meet the entire demand of the States/UTs. Therefore, a Notional Allocation (NA) under the Scheme is being conveyed at the beginning of the financial year since 2008-09 to States/UTs having OBC population, in proportion to their total population as per census and they are being requested to send proposals within the notional allocation, as per the procedure outlined below:-

i. At the beginning of the financial year, notional allocation of funds of States/UTs will be made by this Ministry, from the overall annual outlay of the Scheme, on the basis of population of each State/UT, excluding States/UTs having no notified list of OBCs (viz. Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Lakshadweep).

States/UTs will sub-allocate their NA, district-wise and group-wise, for all nonii. professional courses. Such sub-allocation would not be necessary for professional courses, as institutions of professional education tend to be concentrated in major cities/centres. However, the State Government is expected to lay down criteria for selection for award of scholarship under both types of courses, professional and non-professional, to the extent of available funds, based on merit-cum-means.

States will earmark at least 25% of the total outlay under the Scheme for Group D iii. courses which include Class-XI and XII and all other post-matriculation level nondegree courses, diploma courses in polytechnics etc. Such earmarking would encourage more OBC students to join entry-level courses of tertiary education which would enable them subsequently to take up courses leading to higher qualifications.

Central assistance given to a State/UT would have to be first utilized to cover renewal cases (i.e. students already awarded scholarships during the previous years against Central Assistance), and only the balance amount left may be utilized to cover new cases.

The proposal for Central Assistance should be accompanied with the details of

physical and financial progress in the prescribed performa.

As the total demand of the States/UTs cannot be covered under the Central Assistance, the States/UTs shall provide remaining scholarship grants to the eligible students from their own budget.

XIII. FUNDING PATTERN OF THE SCHEME

The Scheme is being implemented by the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations, which receive central assistance from Government of India under the Scheme. The concept of Committed Liability will not apply to States/UTs from the year 2018-19 onwards. States/UTs are liable to make provisions for funds over and above Central Assistance to cover all eligible students.

XIV. MONITORING

The monitoring of the financial and physical performance of the Scheme will be done through seeking detailed information from the agencies implementing the Scheme and for the physical aspects the agencies implementing will be required to furnish Quarterly Progress Reports regarding the number of beneficiaries receiving award under the Scheme, both class-wise and gender-wise. On the financial side, details of actual expenditure incurred during the last financial year and expenditure proposed for the present financial year will be submitted by the agencies concerned. implementing the scheme will also be insisted upon to submit the latest audited accounts.

XV. EVALAUTION

The Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment will get the scheme evaluated by entrusting a research study to reputed institutions/agencies, on the performance of the Scheme in different parts of the country, under this Ministry's Scheme of Research and Training.

No.20014/5/2002-Education. Government of India Ministry of Tribal Affairs Education Division

> Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi Dated: 23rd May, 2013

To

The Principal Secretary/Secretaries, Tribal Development Department, All States/UTs (Except Haryana, Punjab, Chandigarh, Delhi and Pondicherry)

Upward revision of the annual parental income ceiling under Subject: the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Post Matric Scholarship for Scheduled Tribe students w.e.f. academic session 2013-14.

Sir.

Kindly refer to my D.O. letter No.20014/33/2012-Education dated 9.4.2013 seeking proposal from your Department for Central Assistance under the Scheme of Post Matric Scholarship for Scheduled Tribe students for the financial year 2013-14. In this context, I am directed to refer to the above mentioned subject and to say that as per the above scheme, the income ceiling would be revised once in every two years linking it with the consumer price index for industrial workers for the month of October of the year, preceding the year of revision and will be made effective from April.

- Accordingly, it has been decided, with the approval of the Competent Authority, to increase the annual parental income ceiling under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Post Matric Scholarship for Scheduled Tribe students from Rs.2.00 lakh to Rs.2.50 lakh per annum w.e.f the academic session 2013-14 (to be effective from 1.4.2013).
- You are requested to send your proposals for Central Assistance keeping in view the above income ceiling. The proposals, complete in all respects in the proforma prescribed under the scheme and already sent to you vide the D.O. letter mentioned in Para 1 above may please be sent along with the following documents:-
 - The utilization certificate of the previous year's released grants.
 - Details of the Committed Liability on the State Government/UT Administrations (a proforma attached for ready reference).
 - Physical progress achieved during the last financial year.
 - Details of preparedness of the States to roll out DBT across the country.

Cont'd....p.2/_

I am also directed to invite your attention to the deliberations that took place during the course of consultation with State's Principal Secretaries/ Secretaries/Commissioner-in-Charge/Directors of Tribal Development/Welfare Departments held in New Delhi on May 16-17, 2013 in which compliance of the following key tasks in connection with DBT roll out was discussed:-

Digitization of data base

States/UTs must digitize the beneficiary database and covert data in excel sheets to standardized formats developed by the NIC (details available on http://dbtapp.gov.in). The digitization of databases should begin in all districts irrespective of the rollout of DBT and States are to report in the meeting complete action on digitization.

Obtaining of Digital Signature Certificates of designated officers at District and State level

Obtaining of Digital Signature Certificates (D.S.C.s) for designated offices at district and State level is necessary for verification and authorization of beneficiary list and a necessary condition for the excel sheet to be an authorized data base on which payment decisions will rest. States/UTs were required to urgently designate officials at District and State levels and the designated officials were to apply for Digital Signature Certificate to respective NIC State Unit and contact local NIC officials for training in http://dbtapp.gov.in. Compliance of these instructions was to be completed by 30th April, 2013. States may be updated in the meeting.

Opening of bank accounts of the beneficiaries

States/UTs may ensure that all ST beneficiaries of the scheme of Post Matric Scholarship for STs have bank accounts. They may urgently pursue with lead banks for speedy opening of bank accounts in respect of beneficiaries which do not yet have accounts in banks with Core Banking System so as to enable payment of scholarship amount into the bank a/c of the beneficiaries.

Enrolment of beneficiaries for generation of Aadhaar numbers and seeding of bank accounts with Aadhaar numbers.

The States may in cooperation with UIDAI organize special Aadhaar Enrolment Camps in war-footing for the ST beneficiaries in each district at appropriate location(s) to ensure that all have Aadhaar numbers at the earliest. The existing status may be reported in the meeting. After Aadhaar enrolment of beneficiaries, the States are required to pursue with the lead banks for expediting the Aadhaar seeding of their bank accounts so that payment of scholarships into bank accounts of the beneficiaries can be made through the Aadhaar Payment Bridge (APB). Cont'd....p.3/_

Re-engineering of Fund Flow

The DBT system seeks to ensure that the follow of funds to the beneficiaries under the various schemes is made more efficient by removing such redundant layers which do not contribute value to decision making. There are redundant layers of procedure and sometimes only aggregate data leading to delay and inefficiency. Process re-engineering of the scheme and its architecture is therefore necessary at State level as well as at levels below. This must be in both decision making as well as funds flow. In order to ensure that the State share of the scholarship amount is paid into the bank account of the beneficiary speedily by passing through the minimum number of layers possible, the manner of deciding which levels in government will be part of selection/ authorization process and which levels participate in the fund flow route of the Post Matric Scholarships for STs in each State is to be urgently re-engineered and the Ministry informed of the completion of the exercise.

> Training

NIC to coordinate training of state/ district level functionaries. State and district teams of trainers to get ready through training by NIC in the next two weeks. Progress on arranging this tie up be reported.

Monitoring Rollout and reporting of progress in I & II Phase.

A robust monitoring system for monitoring the rollout should be put in place by the State/UTs and intimated to this Ministry. The States may formulate an Action Plan with timelines for completing the above mentioned preparatory work so as to ensure successful rollout of DBT in the Phase II districts w.e.f. 17.3.2013. Weekly progress report in prescribed format must be provided to the nodal officer DBT in the Ministry by every Thursday.

It is requested that your compliance report in respect of the above mentioned key issues may also please be sent immediately to Ms. Shyla Titus, Deputy Secretary (DBT) in this Ministry under intimation to the undersigned.

Yours faithfully,

(Roopak Chaudhuri)

Deputy Secretary to the Government of India 图: 011-23070508

Copy to File No.20014/33/2012-Education.

Proforma

Proforma of the Committed Liability of the State Governments/UT Administrations for every year of the 12th Five Year Plan period under the Scheme of Post Matric Scholarship for ST students

The Committed Liability of the State Governments/UT Administrations for every year of the 12th Five Year Plan is calculated as the total actual expenditure (State Share + Central Share) incurred for the year 2011-12 minus additional actual expenditure for the years 2010-11 & 2011-12 paid in during 2011-12, if any, on account of the revision of the Scheme w.e.f. 01-07-2010.

The details may please be furnished as follows:-

[Rs. in lakh]

Total Expenditure incurred (State Share + Central Share) during 2011-12	Rs.
Minus: Additional actual expenditure for the years 2010-11 paid in during 2011-12, if any, on account of the revision of the Scheme w.e.f. 01-07-2010	Rs.
Minus: Additional actual expenditure for the years 2011-12 paid in during 2011-12, if any, on account of the revision of the Scheme w.e.f. 01-07-2010	Rs.
Thus, Committed Liability of the State Government for every year of the 12th Five Year Plan	Rs.

SCHEME OF POST MATRIC SCHOLARSHIPS TO THE STUDENTS BELONGING TO SCHEDULED TRIBES FOR STUDIES IN INDIA

REGULATION GOVERNING THE AWARD OF SCHOLARSHIP (APPLICABLE FROM 01.07.2010)



GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS NEW DELHI.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS

SCHEME OF POST MATRIC SCHOLARSHIPS TO THE STUDENTS BELONGING TO SCHEDULED TRIBES FOR STUDIES IN INDIA

REGULATION GOVERNING THE AWARD OF SCHOLARSHIP (APPLICABLE FROM 01-07-2010)

I.

OBJECT

The objective of the scheme is to provide financial assistance to the Scheduled Tribe students studying at post matriculation or post-secondary stage to enable them to complete their education.

II.

SCOPE

These scholarships are available for studies in India only and are awarded by the Government of the State/Union Territory Administration to which the applicant actually belongs i.e. where permanently settled.

Ш.

CONDITIONS OF ELIGIBILITY

- The scholarships are open to nationals of India.
- (ii) These scholarships will be given for the study of all recognised postmatriculation for post-secondary courses pursued in recognised institutions with the following exceptions:

"Scholarships are not awarded for training courses like Aircraft Maintenance Engineer's Courses and Private Pilot Licence courses, courses at Training – Ship Dufferin (Now Rajendra), courses of training at the Military College, Dehradun and courses at pre-examination training centres of all India and State levels."

(iii) Only those candidates who belong to Scheduled Tribes so specified in relation to the State/Union Territory to which the applicant actually belongs (i.e. permanently settled) and who have passed the Matriculation or Higher Secondary or any higher examination of a recognized University or Board of Secondary Education, will be eligible.

- (iv) Candidates who after passing one stage of education are studying in the same stage of education in a different subject e.g. I.Sc after I.A. or B.Com after B.A. or M.A. in other subject will not be eligible.
- (v) Students who, after having completed their educational career in one professional line, wish to study for another profession e.g. LLB after B.T./B.Ed. will not be eligible. From the academic year 1980-81, however, studies in two professional courses are allowed.
- (vi) Students studying in Class XI of Higher Secondary Schools which have a continues school course of 12th class will not be eligible. However, in cases where the X class examination of such courses is treated as equivalent to Matriculation and students after passing tenth class can join other courses, such students will be treated as post-matric students and will be eligible for the award of scholarships.
- (vii) Students pursuing post-graduate courses in medicine will be eligible if they are not allowed to practice during the period of their course.
- (viii) Students who after failing or passing the under graduate/post-graduate examinations in Arts/Science/Commerce join any recognised professional or technical certificate/diploma/degree courses will be awarded scholarships if otherwise eligible. No subsequent failure will be condoned except courses in Group 'I', and no further change in the course will be allowed.
- (ix) Students who pursue their studies through correspondence courses are also eligible. The term correspondence includes distant and continuing education.
- (x) Employed students who take leave without pay for the entire duration of the course and study as full time students will be eligible for scholarships.

From the academic year 1980-81, employed students whose income combined with the income of their parents/guardians does not exceed the maximum prescribed income ceiling are made eligible to post-matric scholarships to the extent of reimbursement of all compulsorily payable non-refundable fees.

- (xi) All children of the same parents/guardians will be entitled to receive benefits of the scheme.
- (xii) A scholarship holder under this scheme will not hold any other scholarship/stipend. If awarded any other scholarship/stipend, the student can exercise his/her option for either of the two scholarships/stipends, whichever is more beneficial to him/her and should inform the awarding authority through the Head of the Institution about the option made. No scholarship will be paid to the students under this scheme from the date he/she accepts another scholarship/stipend. The student can however, accept free lodging or a grant or adhoc monetary help from the State Government or any other source for the purchase of books, equipment or for meeting the expenses on board and lodging in addition to the scholarship amount paid under this scheme.
- (xiii) Students who have already received coaching in any of the pre-examination training centres with financial assistance from the Government will not be eligible.

NOTE 1: Since it is clearly mentioned under the item III (condition of eligibility) of these regulations that the scholarship will be given for the study of all recognised post-matriculation or post-secondary courses pursued in recognised institutions, the list of courses grouped (*I to IV*) is, thus, only illustrative and not exhaustive. The State Governments/Union Territory Administrations are, thus, themselves competent to decide the appropriate grouping of courses at their level as advised vide Ministry of SJ & E's letter No.11017/13/88-Sch.Cell, dated 3.8.1989.

IV. MEANS TEST

Scholarships will be paid to the students whose parents/guardians' income from all sources does not exceed Rs. 2,00,000/- (Rs. two lakh only) per annum.

NOTE 1: So long as either of the parents (or husband in the case of married unemployed girl student) is alive, only income of the parents/husband, as the case may be, from all sources has to be taken into account and of no other member even

though they may be earning. In the form of income declaration, income is to be declared on this basis. Only in the case where both the parents (or husband in the case of married but unemployed girl student) have died, the income of the guardian who is supporting the student in his/her studies has to be taken. Such students whose parents' income is affected due to unfortunate death of one of earning parents and resultantly comes within the income ceiling prescribed under the scheme, shall become eligible for scholarship, subject to their fulfilling other conditions of eligibility, from the month in which such sad incidence takes place. Applications for scholarships from such students can be considered even after lapse of last date of receipt of applications, on compassionate grounds.

NOTE 2: House rent allowance received by the parents of a student shall be exempted from the computation of 'income' if the same has been permitted to be exempted for purpose of Income-tax.

NOTE 3: Income certificate is required to be taken once only i.e. at the time of admission to courses which are continuing for more than one year.

NOTE 4: The revised income ceilings account for Consumer Price Index for Industrial workers upto October, 2009. Income Ceiling would be revised once in every two years linking it with Consumer Price Index for Industrial Workers for the month of October of the year, preceding the year of revision and will be made effective from April.

V. <u>VALUE OF SCHOLARSHIP</u>

The value of scholarship includes maintenance allowance, provision for students with disabilities, reimbursement of compulsory non-refundable fees, Study Tour Charges, thesis typing/printing charges and book allowance for students pursuing correspondence courses, for complete duration of the course.

The details are given below:-

(i) Maintenance Allowance:

Group	Courses	Rate of Maintenance Allowance (in Rupees per month)		
		Hostellers	Day Scholars	
Group I	 (i) Degree and Post Graduate level courses including M. Phil., Ph.D. and Post Doctoral research in Medicine (Allopathic, Indian and other recognized systems of medicines), Engineering, Technology, Planning, Architecture, Design, Fashion Technology, Agriculture, Veterinary & Allied Sciences, Management, Business Finance /Administration, Computer Science/ Applications. (ii) Commercial Pilot License (including helicopter pilot and multiengine rating) course. (iii) Post Graduate Diploma courses in various branches of management & medicine. (iv) C.A./I.C.W.A./C.S./I.C.F.A. etc. (v) M. Phil., Ph.D. and Post Doctoral Programmes (D. Litt., D.Sc. etc.): a) In existing Group II courses b) In existing Group III courses (vi) L.L.M. 	1200	550	

Group II	(i) Graduate/ Post Graduate courses		1
	leading to Degree, Diploma, Certificate in	820	530
	areas like Pharmacy (B Pharma), Nursing (B	020	33
	Nursing), LLB, BFS, other para-medical		
	branches like rehabilitation, diagnostics etc.,		
	Mass Communication, Hotel Management &		
	Catering, Travel/Tourism/Hospitality		
	Management, Interior Decoration, Nutrition &		
	Dietetics, Commercial Art, Financial Services		
	(e.g. Banking, Insurance, Taxation etc.) for		
	which entrance qualification is minimum Sr.		
	Secondary (10+2).		
	(ii) Post Graduate courses not covered		
	under Group-I e.g. M.A./M.Sc./M.Com./		
	M. Ed./M. Pharma etc.		
Group III	All other courses leading to a graduate		
	degree not covered under Group I & II e.g.	570	300
	BA/B Sc/B Com etc.		
Group IV	All post-matriculation level non-degree		
	courses for which entrance qualification is	380	230
	High School (Class X), e.g. senior secondary		
	certificate (class XI and XII); both general		
	and vocational stream, ITI courses, 3 year		
	diploma courses in Polytechnics, etc.		

NOTE 1: Commercial Pilot License Course (CPL): CPL course is covered under Group 'I'. The number of awards for CPL will be 10 per annum. The selection of 10 ST students for CPL course will be made through Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA). Applications for CPL course will be invited through advertisement. Interested ST students may apply for selection for grant of scholarship for pursuing

CPL course. Selected candidates shall be provided a maintenance allowance at rates applicable to Group 'l' courses i.e. Rs.1200/- per month for hostelers and Rs.550/- per month for day scholars. In addition all compulsory fees, including flight charges are to be provided as fee.

NOTE 2: M.Phil and Ph.D courses are post-graduation courses. Scholarship to such students may be paid at the rates of maintenance allowance for Group 'l' or 'll' depending on the course under these groups.

NOTE 3: Normally the term 'Hostel' is applicable to a common residential building and a common mess for the students run under the supervision of the educational institution authorities. In case the college authorities are unable to provide accommodation in the college Hostel, an approved place of residence can also be treated as Hostel for the purpose of this scheme. The place will be approved by the Head of the Institution after due inspection and keeping in view the rules and regulations laid down by the University, if any. In such case, a certificate to the effect that the student is residing in an approved place of residence as he is unable to get accommodation in the college hostel should be furnished by the Head of Institution.

It is further clarified that such deemed hostels should consist of such accommodation as is hired at least by a group of 5 (five) students living together, usually with common mess arrangements.

NOTE 4. Scholars who are entitled to free board and/or lodging will be paid maintenance charge at 1/3rd of the rate for Hostellers

(ii) Additional Provision for ST students with disabilities

(A) Reader Allowance for blind Scholars

Level of Course	Reader Allowance (Rs. Per month)	
Group I, II	240	
Group III	200	
Group IV	160	

(B) Provision of transport allowance upto Rs.160/- per month for disabled students, if such student does not reside in the hostel, which is within the premises of educational institution. The disability as per the Persons with Disabilities (Equal

Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act,1995 is defined as blindness, low-vision, leprosy-cured, hearing impairment, locomotor disability, mental retardation and mental illness.

- (C) Escort Allowance of Rs.160/- per month for severally handicapped day scholar students with low extremity disability.
- (D) Special Pay of Rs.160/- per month is admissible to any employee of the hostel willing to extend help to a severely orthopaedically handicapped student residing in hostel of an educational institution, who may need the assistance of a helper.
- (E) Allowance of Rs. 240/- per month towards extra coaching to mentally retarded and mentally ill students.

The provisions in (B) to (D) will also apply to leprosy -cured students.

Note 1: The disabled students belonging to Scheduled Tribes covered under the Scheme can also get such additional benefits from other Schemes, which are not covered under the scheme.

Note 2: The disability as defined under the said Act has to be certified by competent medical authority of the State Govt./UT Administration.

(iii) Fees

Scholars will be paid enrolment/registration, tuition, games, Union, Library, Magazine, Medical Examination and such other fees compulsorily payable by the scholar to the institution or University/Board. Refundable deposit like caution money, security deposit will, however, be excluded.

NOTE: Compulsory non-refundable fee charged by recognized institutions against free and paid seats of recognized courses can be fully reimbursed as per the fee structure approved by the competent State/Central Government authority. However, while sanctioning scholarship against paid seat, State Governments would make the income verification compulsory.

(iv) Study Tours

Study tour charges upto a maximum of *Rs.1600/-* per annum, limited to the actual expenditure incurred by the student on transportation charges etc. will be paid to the scholars studying professional and technical courses, provided that the head of the institution certifies that the study tour is essential for the scholar for completion of his/her course of study.

(v) Thesis Typing/Printing Charges

Thesis typing/printing charges upto a maximum of Rs.1600/- will be paid to research scholars on the recommendation of the Head of the Institution.

(vi) Correspondence courses including distance and continuing education

The students pursuing such courses are also eligible for an annual allowance of Rs.1200/- for essential/prescribed books, besides reimbursement of course fees.

VI. <u>SELECTION OF CANDIDATES</u>

- (i) All the eligible Scheduled Tribes candidates will be given scholarships subject to the application of Means Test prescribed in these Regulations.
- (ii) Candidates belonging to one State but studying in other State will be awarded scholarships by the State to which they belong and will submit their applications to the competent authorities in that State. In the matter of exemption from fees or other concessions also they will be treated as if they were studying in their own State.

VII. <u>DURATION AND RENEWAL OF AWARDS</u>

- (i) The award once made will be tenable from the stage at which it is given to the completion of course subject to good conduct and regularity in attendance. It will be renewed from year to year provided that within a course which is continuous for a number of years, the scholar secures promotion to the next higher class irrespective of the fact whether such examinations are conducted by a University or the Institution.
- (ii) If a Scheduled Tribe scholar pursuing Group I course fails in the examination for the first time, the award may be renewed. For second and subsequent

failure in any class, the student shall bear his/her own expenses until he/she secures promotion to the next higher class.

- (iii) If a scholar is unable to appear in the annual examination owing to illness and/or on account of any other unforeseeable event, the award may be renewed for the next academic year on submission of medical certificate and/or other required sufficient proof to the satisfaction of the Head of the Institution and his/her certifying that the scholar would have passed had he/she appeared in the examination.
- (iv) If according to the Regulations of a University/Institution, a student is promoted to the next higher class even though he/she may not have actually passed in lower class and is required to take examination of the junior class again after sometime, he/she will be entitled to scholarship for the class to which he/she is promoted if the student is otherwise eligible for scholarship.

VIII. PAYMENT

- (i) Maintenance allowance is payable from 1st April or from the month of admission, whichever is later, to the month in which the examinations are completed, at the end of the academic year (including maintenance allowance during holidays), provided that if the scholar secures admission after the 20th day of a month, the amount will be paid from the month following the month of admission.
- (ii) In case of renewal of scholarship awarded in the previous years, maintenance allowance will be paid from the month following the month upto which scholarship was paid in the previous year, if the course of study is continuous.
- (iii) The Government of the State/Union Territory Administration, to which the student belongs, in accordance with the procedure laid down by them in this regard, will pay the scholarship money to the selected students.
- (iv) Scholarship will not be paid for the period of internship/housemanship in the M.B.B.S. course or for a practical training in other course if the student is in receipt of some remuneration during the internship period or some allowance/stipend during the practical training in other course.

OTHER CONDITIONS FOR THE AWARD

IX.

- (i) The scholarship is dependent on the satisfactory progress and conduct of the scholars. If it is reported by the Head of the Institution at any time that a scholar has by reasons of his/her own act of default failed to make satisfactory progress or has been guilty of misconduct such as resorting to or participating in strikes, irregularity in attendance without the permission of the authorities concerned etc., the authority sanctioning the scholarship may either cancel the scholarship or stop or withhold further payment for such period as it may think fit.
- (ii) If a student is found to have obtained a scholarship by false statements, his/her scholarship will be cancelled forthwith and the amount of the scholarship paid will be recovered, at the discretion of the concerned State Government. The student concerned will be blacklisted and debarred for scholarship in any scheme forever.
- (iii) A scholarship awarded may be cancelled if the scholar changes the subject of the course of study for which the scholarship was originally awarded or changes the Institution of study, without prior approval of the State Government. The Head of the Institution shall report such cases to them and stop payment of the scholarship money. The amount already paid may also be recovered at the discretion of the State Government.
- (iv) A scholar is liable to refund the scholarship amount at the discretion of the State Government, if during the course of the year, the studies for which the scholarship has been awarded, is discontinued by him/her.
- (v) The regulations can be changed at anytime at the discretion of the Government of India.

X. ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE SCHEME

All the State Governments will announce in May-June, the details of the scheme and invite applications by issuing an advertisement in the leading newspapers of the State and through other media outfits. All requests for application forms and other particulars should be addressed to the Government of State/Union

Territory Administration to which the scholars actually belong. The applicant should submit the completed application to the prescribed authority before the last date prescribed for receipt of applications.

XI. PROCEDURE FOR APPLYING

- (i) An application for scholarship should comprise:
 - (a) One copy of the application for scholarship in the prescribed form (separate application forms as have been prescribed for 'fresh' and renewal scholarship by concerned States/UTs).
 - (b) One copy of the passport size photograph with signatures of the student thereon (for fresh scholarship).
 - (c) One attested copy of certificates, diploma, degree etc. in respect of all examinations passed.
 - (d) A certificate (in original) of Caste duly signed by an authorised Revenue Officer not below the rank of Tahsildar.
 - (e) An income declaration by the self-employed parents/guardians, stating definite income from all sources by way of an affidavit on nonjudicial stamp paper. Employed parents/guardians are required to obtain income certificate from their employer and for any additional income from other sources, they would furnish declaration by way of an affidavit on non-judicial stamp paper.
 - (f) A receipt in acknowledgement of the scholarship in the previous year on the form attached to the application only duly counter-signed by the Head of the Institution concerned, if the applicant was in receipt of a scholarship under this scheme in the preceding year.
- (ii) Application complete in all respects shall be submitted to the Head of the Institution, being attended or last attended by the candidates and shall be addressed to an officer specified for this purpose by the Government of State/Union Territory to which the student belongs, in accordance with the instructions issued by them from time to time.

XII.

FUNDING PATTERN OF THE SCHEME

The Scheme is implemented by the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations, which receive 100% central assistance from Government of India, over and above their respective Committed Liability. The level of Committed Liability of respective State Governments/Union Territory Administrations for a year is equivalent to the level of actual expenditure incurred by them under the Scheme during the terminal year of the last Five Year Plan Period and is required to be borne by them for which they are required to make required provision in their own budget. The North Eastern States have, however, been exempted from making their own budgetary provisions towards Committee Liability from Ninth Plan Period (1997-2002) onwards and the entire expenditure under the Scheme in respect of them will be borne by Government of India.

NOTE: Additional Committed Liability on account of the revision of the Scheme w.e.f. 01-07-2010 shall be passed on to State Governments/U.T. Administrations at the end of the XII Five - Year Plan period (w.e.f. 01-04-2017), and not after the XI Plan period.

All the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations implementing the Scheme will:-

- (i) furnish data of beneficiaries and expenditure under the scheme, to Government of India, regularly in the Quarterly Reports prescribed for this purpose. Financial assistance given under the Scheme shall not be utilized for any other purpose.
- (ii) designation Grievance Redressal Officers (GROs) at the State and District levels to redress students' scholarship-related grievances.

XIII. BOOK BANK FOR SCHEDULED TRIBE STUDENTS

OBJECT

The object behind the Scheme is to establish Book Banks in each Medical (including Indian systems of Medicine and Homeopathy), Engineering, Agriculture, Veterinary, Polytechnics, Law Course, Charted Accountancy, MBA and Bio-Sciences to Scheduled Tribe students who can not afford expensive education but for adequate state support. The inability of these students to buy costly text books, results in large number of failures and drop outs which retards the upliftment of Scheduled Tribes.

SCOPE

These 'Book Banks' are to be set up in all the Medical, Engineering, Agriculture, Law and Veterinary Degree Colleges and Institutes imparting Chartered Accountancy, MBA and alike Management Courses and Polytechnics where Scheduled Tribe students receiving Post Matric Scholarship under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Post Matric Scholarship to Scheduled Tribes for studies in India belonging to the parent state or from other state, are studying. Purchase of books for these 'Book Banks' will be restricted to the prescribed text books for the entire courses for recognized Medical, Engineering, Agriculture, Veterinary, Law Courses, Chartered Accountancy, MBA, Bio-Sciences and Polytechnic courses being pursued by ST students therein. The set of text books will be purchased for 2 such ST students at various stages except in respect of Post-graduate courses and Chartered Accountancy where it will be one set for each student. However, the ratio of sets and students will have to be adjusted to the total number of sets that could be procured within the total resources allocated to the State concerned. The State Government may constitute an expert group consisting of members from selected colleges of different regions to decide the adequate number of text books in a set (not reference books) required for each course. Thereafter estimate may be worked out keeping in view the price of cheap Indian editions. The State Government may

constitute a set within the total cost of text books. The life period of one set of books has been fixed at 3 years.

XIV. COURSE-WISE PATTERN OF ASSISTANCE

Central assistance to States/UTs for setting up of Book Banks is limited to the following ceiling or actual cost of a set, whichever is less:-

Degree Courses

Cost of one set

(1 set for 2 students)

1.	Medical	Rs. 7,500/-
2	Engineering	Rs. 7,500/-
3.	Veterinary	Rs. 5,000/-
4.	Agriculture	Rs. 4,500/-
5.	Polytechnic	Rs. 2,400/-

II. Post-Graduate Course

(A). Post Graduate courses in Medical, Engineering, Agriculture and Veterinary courses and such other technical/alike courses as are approved by the Universities/Institutes of higher learning.	The same of the sa
(B). Law courses, L.L.B. (3 years and 5 years) L.L.M. (2 years)	Rs. 5,000/- 1 set per student
(C). Chartered Accountancy (inter-mediate and final)	Rs. 5,000/- 1 set per student
(D). M.B.A. (2 years) and similar courses	Rs. 5,000/- 1 set per student
E). Bio-Science	Rs. 5,000/- 1 set per student

Note: The said sets of books will also include Braille Books, Talking Books, Cassettes for the visually Handicapped students.

The essential books purchased, limiting the amount to the ceilings indicated above are to be supplied to the ST students in instalments, depending on the course, semester structure etc.

The life span of one set of books has been fixed at 3 years so as to ensure that Book Banks beneficiaries have access to the latest books/editions. At the end of 3 years these books may be kept in the library of the concerned institution for loan to other ST students until such time as the books remain relevant and serviceable. Thereafter the books may be disposed off by the institution in the same manner as the books in the library subject to the guidelines, if any, of the State Government/UT Administration in this regard. Purchase of text books for these Book Banks is restricted to the prescribed text books for the entire course referred to above.

XV. PREFERENCE TO GIRL STUDENT AND HANDICAPPED STUDENTS

While selecting students for 'Book Bank' Scheme the State/UT should set a target to be implemented, wherever possible, that at least 30% of the beneficiaries are girl ST students and at least 3% disabled ST students.

XVI. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Central assistance for the setting up of 'Book Banks' will be given for the purchase of prescribed text books for Medical, Engineering, Agriculture, Veterinary and Polytechnic courses and Post-Graduate courses in Medical, Engineering, Agriculture, Veterinary courses and such other technical/alike courses as are approved by the Universities/Institutions of higher learning, Law Courses, Chartered Accountancy (Inter-mediate and final), MBA and Bio-Sciences limited to the amount as indicated above or actual cost of a set, whichever is less.

For storage of books and contingencies etc., the cost of steel almirah for storing books of each 'Book Banks' including contingencies like transportation etc. the following expenses are admissible.

(i) Rs. 2000/- or actual cost whichever is less.

5% of the grant may be earmarked for expenses on binding, stitching etc.

XVII. PLACEMENT OF FUNDS AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE SCHEME

The total expenditure on the scheme of 'Book Banks' will be shared between the Central and the State Government on matching grant basis (50:50) (100% central assistance to the UT Administration). State Govt. may consider making the Heads of the Institutions responsible for the running of the Scheme and place funds at their disposal.

XVIII.

SUBMISSION OF DATA

The State Governments UT Administrations will inform the Government of India about the amount allotted college-wise specifying the number of sets to be purchased for that college and the number of beneficiaries.

XIX.

UTILIZATION OF FUNDS

Financial assistance given under the Scheme shall not be utilized for any other purpose. If the college concerned fails to utilize the grant for the purpose for which it is given, the amount shall be refunded to the Central Government. The State Government/UT Administration should furnish statement of Expenditure and Utilization Certificates.

XX. <u>DISTRIBUTION OF BOOKS TO STUDENTS</u>

The following rules shall govern the distribution of books to the students:

- Each ST student will be provided with an identity card for this purpose.
- (ii) Each ST student will be required to submit the requisition for borrowing books from the Book Bank in a form to be provided for this purpose.
- (iii) Books will be suitably distributed among the ST students keeping in view the norm that one set is meant for 2 students for the entire course, except in respect of Post-Graduate courses and other courses as stated in para XIV (I) & XIV (II) above.

- (iv) The books should be returned to the Book Bank at the end of each term. The Principal of the College/Institution will make every effort to ensure that those students who complete their course or those who drop out in the middle, return the books belonging to the Book Bank.
- (v) It is the responsibility of the student concerned to maintain the books supplied to them from the Book Bank, in good condition.
- (vi) Any case of loss or damage to the books would attract penalty. In case of serious damage or loss of books, the student concerned will have to bear the cost of the book.

....X....

REFERENCES:

SI. No.	Para number of Regulations	No. and date of letter of Ministry of SJ&E.
1	III(v)	No.11917/37/79/SC&BCD-III dated 20-6-1980
2	III(x)	No.11017/23/-80-SC&BCD-III dated 21-6-1980
3	III(xi),III((xii)	No 11017/4/97-SCD-V dated 10-7-1998
4	IV Note 1	No 11017/2/94-Sch.Cell dated 29-12-1995
5	IV Note 2	No 11017/1/92-Sch.Cell dated 14-2-1996
6	IV Note 3	No 11017/10/94-Sch.Cell dated 22-7-1994
7	IV Note 4	No.11017/8/97-Sch.Cell dated 3-4-1998
8	V Group 'A' (I)	No 11017/1/93-Sch.Cell dated 7-4-1995
9	V(I) Note 1	1 No.11017/2/91-Sch.Cell dated 24-7-1992 &
9	V(I) Note 1	2. No.11017/9/91-Sch.Cell dated 1-2-1994
40	V(I) Note 2	No.11017/2/92-Sch.Cell dated 8-4-1994
10		No.11017/11/93-Sch.Cell dated 31-3-1995
11	V(I) Note 3	No.11017/4/97-SCD-V dated 10-7-1998
12	XI	Ministry of Tribal Affairs' Circular
13	V (i),(ii),(iv)(v), (vi)	No. 20014/10/2000-TDA (Vol. III) dated 19-2-2004.
4.4	IV, XIII	No. 20014/10/2000-TDA (Vol. IV) dated 29-5-2006
14	V (iii)	No. 20014/4/2006-Education dated 9-8-2006
15	V (i) Note 1.	No. 20014/5/2002-Scheme/Education dated 3-7-2007
16	IV (III)	No. 20014/10/2000-Education (Vol. IV) dated 5-7-2007
17	V (iii)	No.19012/85/2006-Education dated 28-9-2007
18	V (iii)	No.19012/85/2006-Education dated 27-11-2007
19	V (iii)	No. 20014/1/2007-Education dated 19-12-2007
20	XII	No.19012/85/2006-Education dated 04-03-2008
21	V (iii)	NO. 190 12/00/2000 Eddoddon Gare

CENTRALLY SPONSORED SCHEME OF POST MATRIC SCHOLARSHIPS TO THE STUDENTS BELONGING TO SCHEDULED CASTES FOR STUDIES IN INDIA

(With effect from April, 2018)

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT
April, 2018

CENTRALLY SPONSORED SCHEME OF POST MATRIC SCHOLARSHIPSTO THE STUDENTS BELONGING TO SCHEDULED CASTES FORSTUDIES IN INDIA

(PMS-SC) (With effect from April, 2018) CONTENTS

S.No.	Topic	Page No.
I.	Object	3
II.	Scope	3
III.	Conditions of Eligibility of students	3
IV.	Conditions of Eligibility of	5
	Institutions/Universities/Colleges	
٧.	Means Test	6
VI.	Components of Scholarship	7
VII.	Composite Maintenance Allowance	7
VIII.	Additional Allowances for SC students with disabilities	9
IX.	Compulsory Non-refundable Fees	10
X.	Study Tours	10
XI.	Thesis Typing / Printing Charges	10
XII.	Book Allowance for Students pursuing correspondence	10
	/Distance Education Courses	
XIII.	Book Banks	11
XIV.	Selection of Candidates	13
XV.	Duration and Renewal of Awards	13
XVI.	Payment 13	
XVII.	Mode of Disbursal of Scholarship	14
XVIII.	Other Conditions for the Award	16
XIX.	Announcement of the Scheme	17
XX.	Procedure for Applying	17
XXI.	Procedure for forwarding demand for release of Central	18
	Assistance (CA) for PMS-SC by State government	
XXII.	Funding Pattern of the Scheme	18
XXIII.	Effective Implementation/ alteration of modalities 19	
XXIV.	Inspection and Monitoring of the scheme 20	
XXV.	Evaluation 20	
XXVI.	Administrative Charges 21	
XVII.	Transitory provision for existing beneficiaries	21

CENTRALLY SPONSORED SCHEME OF POST MATRIC SCHOLARSHIPS TO THE STUDENTS BELONGING TO SCHEDULED CASTES FOR STUDIES IN INDIA PMS-SC (with effect from April, 2018)

I. Object

The objective of the scheme is to provide/supplement financial assistance to the Scheduled Caste students studying at post matriculation or post-secondary stage to enable them to complete their education.

II. Scope

These scholarships are available for studies in India only and are awarded by the Government of the State/Union Territory to which the applicant actually belongs i.e. permanently settled or domiciled, as per the terms of domicile decided by the State, will be eligible to avail PMS-SC from the domiciled State/UT. The domicile State/UT shall keep the parent State informed with all particulars.

III. Conditions of Eligibility of students

- (i) The scholarships are open to nationals of India.
- (ii) These scholarships will be given for the study of all recognized post-matriculation or post-secondary courses pursued in recognized Institutions/ Universities/ Colleges, where PMS-SC can be availed for intermediate, graduate, post graduate courses and include the following:
 - a. Institutions of National Importance;
 - b. Central University/ State University/ Autonomous colleges recognized by UGC and Universities /Colleges recognized under section 2(f) and 12(b) of UGC Act.;
 - c. Deemed Universities;
 - d. Private Universities recognized by State/Centre with 'A' level or equivalent accreditation by NAAC, NBA;

- e. Private Professional Institutions affiliated to a recognized Central/State
 University and covered by Fee Fixation Committee as mandated by Supreme
 Court;
- f. Recognized schools/colleges for Classes XI and class XII;
- g. Diploma granting Institutions as recognized by State/UT Governments;
- h. Vocational Training Institute affiliated to National Council of Vocational Training (NCVT);
- i. Institutions affiliated/ approved by the appropriate bodies like MCI/AICTE etc or any regulatory body established by State/ Centre. Provided that where a particular number of seats for a particular course have been recognized / authorized by the concerned regulatory authority. The admissions shall be restricted to those numbers and courses provided further that at each level only one course of study shall be allowed;
- iii. Only those candidates who belong to Scheduled Castes so specified in relation to the State/Union Territory to which the applicant actually belongs /domiciled as determined by the State/UT and who have passed the Matriculation or Higher Secondary or any higher examination of a recognized University or Board of Secondary Education will be eligible.
- iv. The ceiling on age limit for admission as regular student in different classes should be decided by concerned Institutions
- v. Candidates who after passing one stage of education are studying in the same stage of education in different subject e.g. I.Sc. after I.A. or B.Com. after B.A. in other subject will not be eligible.
- vi. Students who, after having completed their educational career in one professional line, e.g. L.L.B. after B.T./B.Ed. will not be eligible.
- vii. Students pursuing Post Graduate courses in medicine will be eligible if they are not allowed to practice during the period of their course.
- viii. Students who pursue their studies through correspondence courses are also eligible.

 The term correspondence includes distant and continuing education for courses in

- Central/ State Universities only. Non-refundable fee shall be paid directly to the Students account
- viii. All children of the same parents/guardians will be entitled to receive benefits of the scheme.
- ix. A scholarship holder under this scheme will not hold any other scholarship/stipend. If awarded any other scholarship/stipend, the student can exercise his/her option for either of the two scholarships/stipends, whichever is more beneficial to him/her and should inform the awarding authority through the Head of the Institution about the option made. No scholarship will be paid to the students under this scheme from the date he/she accepts another scholarship/stipend. The student can however, accept free lodging or a grant or adhoc monetary help from the State Government or any other source for the purchase of books, equipment or for meeting the expenses on board and lodging in addition to the scholarship amount paid under this scheme.
- x. Scholarship holders who are receiving coaching in any of the pre-examination training centers with financial assistance from the Central Government/ State Government will not be eligible for stipend under the coaching schemes for the duration of the coaching programme.

Note 1: It is mentioned under the item III (condition of eligibility) of this scheme that the scholarship will be given for the study of all recognized post-matriculation or post-secondary courses pursued in recognized institutions, the list of courses grouped (I to IV) is only illustrative and not exhaustive. The State Governments/Union Territory Administrations are, thus, themselves competent to decide the appropriate grouping of courses at their level.

IV. Conditions of Eligibility of Institutions/Universities/Colleges

- 1. The Institutions/Colleges at the time of submitting Scholarship applications of students studying will also submit/ upload details of their registration, affiliation and accreditation, courses being offered and number of seats approved for each course.
- 2. The college/Institution will ensure minimum 50% of renewal in respect of students availing post-matric scholarship for the academic year, before applying for Scholarship

for the next academic year provided where the institution is able to give good and sufficient reasons for not achieving minimum of 50% renewal; the above mentioned limit will not apply. The good and sufficient reasons imply natural calamities like flood/drought/ unforeseen circumstances/ law and order problem etc.

V. Means Test

Scholarships will be paid to the students whose parents/guardians' income from all sources does not exceed Rs. 2,50,000/- (Rupees Two lacs Fifty thousand only).

Note 1: So long as either of the parents (or husband in the case of married unemployed girl student) is alive, only income of the parents/husband, as the case may be, from all sources has to be taken into account only and of no other member even though they may be earning. In the form of income declaration, income is to be declared on this basis. Only in the case where both the parents (or husband in the case of married but unemployed girl student) have died, the income of the guardian who is supporting the student in his/her studies has to be taken. Such students whose parent's income is affected due to unfortunate death of one of earning parents and resultantly comes within the income ceiling prescribed under the scheme, shall become eligible for scholarship, subject to their fulfilling other conditions of eligibility, from the month in which such sad incidence takes place. Applications for scholarships from such students can be considered even after lapse of last date of receipt of applications, on compassionate grounds.

Note 2: House rent allowance received by the parents of a student shall be exempted from the computation of 'income' if the same has been permitted to be exempted for the purpose of Income tax.

Note 3: Income certificate is required to be taken once only i.e. at the time of admission to courses which are continuing for more than one year.

Note 4: Income Ceiling would be reviewed periodically.

VI. Components of the Scholarship

The component of scholarship includes the following for complete duration of the course:-

- i. maintenance allowance,
- ii. reimbursement of compulsory non-refundable fees,
- iii. study tour charges,
- iv. thesis typing,
- v. book allowance,
- vi. book bank facility,
- vii. additional allowances for SC students with disabilities for the complete duration of the course.

The details are as follows:

(i) Composite maintenance allowance

Group	Courses	allowance	Maintenance (in Rs. per 10 months of course. Day
Group I	 (i) Degree and Post Graduate level courses in Medicine, Engineering, Technology, Planning, Architecture, Design, Fashion Technology, Agriculture, Veterinary & Allied Sciences, Management, Business Finance /Administration, Computer Science/ Applications. (ii) Post Graduate Diploma courses in various branches of management & medicine. (iii) C.A./I.C.W.A./C.S./I.C.F.A. etc. (Applicable at day scholar rate only Rs 550 per month) (iv) M.Phil, Ph.D and Post-Doctoral Programmes (D.Lit., D.Sc. etc.), Group I, Group II and Group III courses. (vi.) L.L.B, Integrated L.L.B, L.L.M 	1200	Scholars 550
Group II	Professional Courses leading to Degree, Diploma, Certificate in areas like Pharmacy (B Pharma), Nursing(B Nursing), BFS, other para-medical branches like rehabilitation, diagnostics etc., Mass Communication, Hotel	820	530

	Management & Catering, Travel/Tourism/Hospitality Management, Interior Decoration, Nutrition& Dietetics, Commercial Art, Financial Services (e.g. Banking, Insurance, Taxation etc.) for which entrance qualification is minimum Sr. Secondary (10+2) and Vocational stream, ITI courses and Polytechnic where entrance qualification is Class XII or above.		
Group III	Graduate and Post Graduate courses not covered under Group me & Group II e.g. B.A / B.Sc / B.Com etc. M.A/ M. Sc/ M.Com/ M Ed. / M. Pharma etc.	570	300
Group IV	All post-matriculation level non-degree courses for which entrance qualification is High School (Class X), e.g. Senior secondary certificate (class XI and XII); both general and vocational stream, ITI courses, 3 year diploma courses in Polytechnics, etc.	380	230

Note1: Normally the term 'Hostel' is applicable to a common residential building and a common mess for the students runs under the supervision of the educational institution authorities. In case the college authorities are unable to provide accommodation in the college Hostel, an approved place of residence can also be treated as Hostel for the purpose of this scheme. The place will be approved by the Head of the Institution after due inspection and keeping in view the rules and regulations laid down by the University, if any. In such case, a certificate to the effect that the student is residing in an approved place of residence, as he is unable to get accommodation in the college hostel should be furnished by the Head of the Institution.

It is further clarified that such deemed hostels should consist of such accommodation as is hired at least by a group of 5(five) students living together, usually with common mess arrangements.

Note 2 : Scholars who are entitled to free board and/or lodging will be paid maintenance charge at 1/3rd at Hostellers' rate.

(ii) Additional Allowances for SC students with disabilities

a. Reader Allowance for blind Scholars

Level of Course	Reader Allowance (Rs. Per month)	
Group I,II	240	
Group III	200	
Group IV	160	

- b. Provision of transport allowance upto Rs.160/- per month for disabled students, if such students do not reside in the hostel, which is within the premises of educational institution. The disability as per the Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995 is defined as blindness, low-vision, leprosy-cured, hearing impairment, locomotors disability, mental retardation and mental illness.
- c. Escort Allowance of Rs.160/- per month for severally handicapped day scholar students with low extremity disability.
- d. Special Pay of Rs.160/- per month is admissible to any employee of the hostel willing to extend help to a severely orthopedically handicapped student residing in hostel of an educational institution, who may need the assistance of a helper.
- e. Allowance of Rs.240/- per month towards extra coaching to mentally retarded and mentally ill students.

The provisions in (b) to (d) will also apply to such leprosy-cured students.

- **Note 1:** The disabled students belonging to Scheduled Castes covered under the Scheme can also get such additional benefits from other Schemes, which are not covered under the scheme.
- **Note 2:** The disability as defined under the said Act has to be certified by competent medical authority of the State Govt./UT Administration

iii. Compulsory non-refundable fees but will not include one-time upfront payment fees for full course:

a. Scholars will be paid enrolment/registration, tuition, games, Union, Library, Magazine, Medical Examination and such other fees compulsorily payable by the scholar to the institution or University/Board. Refundable deposits like caution money, security deposit will, however, be excluded.

Note: Payment of one time lump sum fees for full course in Government and Private Institutions shall not be eligible. The fees claimed against management quota seats, spot admission seat in any Institution /University will not be reimbursed.

b. Every State shall constitute a Fee Rationalization Committee (FRC) for review and rationalization of fee structures for disciplines/courses/institutes which are not otherwise covered by the Fee Fixation Committee required to be constituted as per the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

(iv) Study Tours

Study tour charges up to a maximum of Rs.1600 per annum, limited to the actual expenditure incurred by the student on transportation charges etc. will be paid to the scholars studying professional and technical courses, provided that the head of the institution certifies that the study tour is essential for the scholar for completion of his/her course of study.

(v) Thesis Typing/Printing Charges

Thesis typing/printing charges up to a maximum of Rs.1600 will be paid to research scholars on the recommendation of the Head of the Institution.

(vi) Book Allowance for Students pursuing Correspondence / Distance Education Courses

The students pursuing such courses are also eligible for an annual allowance of Rs.1200/-for essential/prescribed books, besides reimbursement of course fees.

(vii) Book Banks

- I. Book Banks are to be set up in all the Medical, Engineering, Agriculture, Law and Veterinary Degree Colleges and Institutes imparting Chartered Accountancy, MBA and alike Management courses and Polytechnics where Scheduled Caste students are in receipt of Post Matric Scholarship. The set of text books will be purchased for 2 such SC students at various stages except in respect of Post-graduate courses and Chartered Accountancy where it will be one set for each student. However, the ratio of sets and students will have to be adjusted to the total number of sets that could be procured within the total resources allocated to the State concerned.
- II. The details of courses covered for setting up of Book Banks, ceiling of admissible expenditure per set of books and sharing criteria are given below:

S.No.	Courses	Sharing criteria	Ceiling per set (or actual whichever is less) (In Rs.)
1.	Degree courses in Medical/ Engineering	1 set for 2 students	7500
2.	Degree courses in Veterinary	-do-	5,000
3.	Degree courses in Agriculture	-do-	4,500
4.	Polytechnics	-do-	2,400
5.	 i. Post Graduate courses in Medical, Engineering, Agriculture and veterinary courses and such other technical/alike courses as approved by the Universities/institutes of higher learning. ii. Law courses, L.L.B. (3 years and 5years) LL.M. (2 years) iii. Chartered Accountancy (Intermediate and Final) 		5,000
	iv. M.B.A. (2 years) and similar coursesv. Bio-Sciences		

For storage of books and contingencies etc., the cost of steel almirah for storing books of each Book Bank including contingencies like transportation etc. the following expenses are admissible:

(i) Rs. 2000 or actual cost whichever is less.

- (ii) 5% of the grant may be earmarked for expenses on binding, stiching etc.
- Note: The said sets of books also include Braille Books, Talking Books, and Cassettes for the visually Handicapped students.
- III. The Book Banks are to be set up in all the recognized colleges/institutions where these courses are being offered as recognized courses.
- IV. Purchase of books for these Book Banks will be restricted to the prescribed text books for the entire courses.
- V. The State Governments may constitute Expert Groups consisting of members from selected colleges/educational institutions of different regions to decide the adequate number of text books in a set (not reference books) required for each course.
- VI. The life period of one set of books has been fixed at 3 years. Thereafter the books may be disposed of by the institutions in the same manner as the books in the library subject to the guidelines, if any, of the State Government/UT Administration in this regard.
- VII. These books are to be supplied to SC students in installments, depending on the course, semester structure etc.
- VIII. The following rules shall govern the distribution of books to the students:
 - (i) Each SC student will be provided with an identity card for this purpose.
 - (ii) Each SC student will be required to submit requisition for borrowing books from the Book Bank in a form to be provided for this purpose.
 - (iii) The books would be returned to the Book Bank at the end of each term. The Principal of the college/institution will make every effort to ensure that those students who complete their course or those who drop out in the middle return the books belonging to the Book Bank.
 - (iv) It is the responsibility of the student concerned to maintain the books supplied to them from the Book Bank, in good condition.
 - (v) Any case of loss or damage to the books would attract penalty. In case of serious damage or loss of books, the student concerned will have to bear the cost of the book.

VII. Selection of Candidates

- 1. All the eligible Scheduled Caste candidates will be given scholarships subject to the application of Means Test prescribed in this Scheme.
- a) Candidates belonging to one State but studying in other State will be awarded scholarships by the State to which they belong or
 - b) Students domiciled in a State/UT but holding SC Certificate in other State/UT can avail scholarship in State/UT of domicile subject to verification of the SC certificate from State where it was issued. The conditions of domicile will be as determined by the State/UT as the case may be. The domicile State/UT shall keep the parent State informed with all particulars.

VIII. Duration and Renewal of Awards

- The award once made will be payable from the stage at which it is given to the completion of course subject to good conduct and attendance of 75% in every academic year.
- If a scholar is unable to appear in the annual examination owing to illness, the award may be renewed subject to production of medical certificate from prescribed authority and acceptance of the same by institution /college.
- 3. If according to the Regulations of a University/Institution, a student is promoted to the next higher class even though he/she may not have actually passed in lower class and is required to take examination of the junior class again after sometime, he/she will be entitled to scholarship for the class to which he/she is promoted if the student is otherwise eligible for scholarship.

IX. Payment

 Maintenance allowance is payable from 1st April or from the month of admission, whichever is later, to the month in which the examinations are completed, at the end of the academic year (including maintenance allowance during holidays), provided that if the scholar secures admission after the 20th day of a month, the amount will be paid from the month following the month of admission for a period of ten months/duration of the course.

- 2. In case of renewal of scholarships awarded in the previous years, maintenance allowance will be paid from the month following the month up to which scholarship was paid in the previous year, if the course of study is continuous.
- 3. The Government of the State/Union Territory Administration will pay the non-refundable fees and maintenance fees in to the account of the students. Incidental to above changes, Ministry's D.O No. 14012/2/2010-SCD-VI dated October 06,2010 addressed to Principal Secretaries/ Secretaries (SW) of all States/UTs regarding instructions to all private institutions not to charge any tuition fee from eligible SC students at the time of admission stands withdrawn. The State government / UT administration will frame modalities regarding periodical and timely release of Scholarship (including fees) to student's accounts; so that students can pay the fees to the institution on time and not be subjected to any penalties for late payment/ non-payment of fees.
- 4. Scholarship will not be paid for the period of internship/ housemanship in the M.B.B.S. course or for a practical training in other course if the student is in receipt of some remuneration during the internship period or some allowance/stipend during the practical training in other course.

X. Mode of Disbursal of Scholarship

1. Payment of scholarship/ maintenance and any other admissible allowances:

(i) Payment of scholarship/ maintenance and any other admissible allowance should be made to beneficiaries through their accounts in post offices/banks. The Ministry of Social Justice vide notification number 428 dated Feb,16,2017 has notified Aadhaar as identity document under Section 7 of Aadhaar Act 2016 for all Scholarship Schemes w.e.f. 16th February 2017. The States henceforth will make provisions for capturing

details of Aadhaar, Aadhaar EID and other alternative documents as provided for in the said notification on their respective Scholarship portals or otherwise.

- (ii) Non-refundable fee to students should be released in the following order of priority:
 - Students studying in Government Educational Bodies including Central and State Universities.
 - ii. Students studying in Government aided Schools/ Colleges/ Institutions.
 - Students studying in Private institutions affiliated to Central/State Universities.
 - iv. Students studying in other institutions.
- (iii) All States/UTs availing of benefits under post-matric scholarship scheme will migrate to online processing of disbursal of scholarships within one year of the revised scheme coming into effect. The scholarship portal should mandatorily have the following features:
- a. Every student should be assigned an Aadhaar ID, Aadhaar EID and other alternative form of ID as per this Ministry's notification no. 428 dated 16.02.2017 which will enable elimination of duplication and false claims.
- b. The District Collector will nominate Group 'Á' officers to inspect all private institutes offering courses at the level of graduation or above during the year preferably by the time of closure of admission.
- c. Online verification of eligibility credentials such as caste certificates, income certificates, mark-sheets etc. should be mandatorily provided.
- d. DBT to the students' account in respect of maintenance and non-refundable fees.
- e. Provision for application of renewal scholarships online.

2. Disbursal of arrears: Central Assistance towards arrear shall be disbursed in the following manner:

a. Where the State Government has released the scholarship to Students after making due provision in the budget and claimed reimbursement of the same, the arrears due and admissible will be considered for release as per regulations of PMS (SC) Scheme.

- b. In case the State Government has not released scholarship to Students and have claimed the arrears towards pending past claims, in such cases the State govt. will follow procedure as given below:
 - i. Where the Institutes have not charged the non-refundable fees from students; the state shall verify such claims with the concerned students and also furnish a complete list of such students, institute wise, while forwarding arrears claims to the ministry (in the context of pre-revised cases).
 - ii. Where Institute have charged non-refundable fees from students, the State shall furnish a complete list of such students, along with details of their bank accounts and Aadhaar number institution wise while forwarding arrear claims to the ministry. The arrears should be released invariably through DBT in to the accounts of students.

XI. Other Conditions for the Award

- i. The scholarship is dependent on the satisfactory progress and conduct of the scholar. If it is reported by the Head of the Institution at any time that a scholar has by reasons of his/her own act of default failed to make satisfactory progress or has been guilty of misconduct such as resorting to or participating in strikes, irregularity in attendance without the permission of the authorities concerned etc., the authority sanctioning the scholarship may either cancel the scholarships or stop or withhold further payment for such period as it may think fit.
- ii. If a student is found to have obtained a scholarship by false statements, his/ her scholarship will be cancelled forthwith and the amount of the scholarship paid will be recovered, at the discretion of the concerned State Government. The student concerned will be blacklisted and debarred for scholarship in any scheme forever.
- iii. A scholarship awarded may be cancelled if the scholar changes the subject of the course of study for which the scholarship was originally awarded or changes the Institution of study, without prior approval of the State Government. The Head of the Institution shall report such cases to them and stop payment of the

- scholarship money. The amount already paid may also be recovered at the discretion of the State Government.
- iv. A scholar is liable to refund the scholarship amount at the discretion of the State Government, if during the course of the year, the studies for which the scholarship has been awarded, is discontinued by him/her.
- v. The provisions of this scheme can be changed at any time at the discretion of the Government of India.

XII. Announcement of the Scheme

All the State Governments/UT Administrations will announce in May-June, the details of the scheme and invite applications by issuing an advertisement in the leading newspapers of the State and through their respective websites/ Scholarship portals and other mode of media. All requests for application forms and other particulars should be addressed to the Government of State/Union Territory Administration to which the scholars actually belong. The applicant should submit the completed application to the prescribed authority before the last date prescribed for receipt of applications.

XIII. Procedure for applying

- (i) An application for scholarship can be made online on scholarship portal where available and in hard copy otherwise. Where applying online, the documents may be scanned and uploaded. Hard copy of application uploaded will be submitted as per the requirement of portal where application has been made. Every application whether done online or in hard copy will at the minimum compulsorily include:
 - a. One copy of the application for scholarship in the prescribed form.
 - b. One copy of the passport size photograph with signatures of the student thereon (for fresh scholarship).
 - c. One self-attested copy of certificates, diploma, degree etc. in respect of all examinations passed.

- d. A certificate of Caste duly signed by an authorized Revenue Officer not below the rank of Tehsildar.
- e. Income declaration of self-employed parents/guardian should be in the form of a certificate issued by Revenue Officer not below the rank of Tehsildar. Employed parents/guardians are required to obtain income certificate from their employer. Employed parents/ guardians should obtain consolidated certificate from Revenue officer for any other additional source of income.
- f. Application for scholarship should be submitted by student by 30th November of the academic year in which he is studying, provided that for valid reasons State authorities may extend the last date.

(Note: Where hard copy is submitted all copies should be self-attested)

(ii) Application complete in all respects shall be submitted to the Head of the Institution, being attended or last attended by the candidates and shall be addressed to an officer specified for this purpose by the Government of State/Union Territory to which the student belongs, in accordance with the instructions issued by them from time to time.

XIV. Procedure for forwarding demand for release of Central Assistance (CA) for PMS-SC by State Government/Union Administration

- a. The aggregated demand of the State/UT to Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment should be submitted in the prescribed format.
- b. Demand for CA submitted beyond 31st December will not be entertained.
- c. The demand for the current F/Y should be in respect of student's scholarship for the corresponding academic year. Arrears due to non-release of CA of previous years should be shown separately.

XV. Funding Pattern of the Scheme

The Scheme is implemented by the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations, which receive 100% central assistance from Government of India for the total expenditure

under the scheme, over and above their respective Committed Liability. "The level of Committed Liability of respective State Government / Union Territory administration in a New Finance Commission (FC) cycle annually will be equivalent to the total of the demand on the State as well as the Central Government in the terminal year of the previous Plan period/ Finance Commission (FC) cycle, provided that when a State has made no demand on the Centre in the terminal year of the Plan period/ Finance Commission cycle or the demand made by a State is lower than in any of the previous years of the plan period / Finance commission cycle, in that case the highest demand made in any of the previous financial years of the Plan/ Finance Commission cycle will be considered as demand of the State on Centre for the purpose of computation of Committed Liability for the next Finance Commission cycle is required to be borne by them for which they are required to make required provision in their own budget." The committed Liability so computed will be coterminus with the FC cycle. The North Eastern States have, however, been exempted from making their own budgetary provisions towards Committee Liability from Ninth Plan Period (1997-2002) onwards and the entire expenditure under the Scheme in respect of them will be borne by Government of India.

All the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations implementing the scheme will:

- i) Furnish data of beneficiaries and expenditure under the scheme, to Government of India, regularly in the Quarterly Reports prescribed for this purpose. Financial assistance given under the scheme shall not be utilized for any other purpose.
- ii) DBT Monthly report as per proforma under DBT Bharat Portal.
- iii) Designate Grievance Redressal Officers (GROs) at the State and District levels to redress students' scholarship-related grievances.

XVI. Effective implementation/ alteration of modalities

a. For the purposes of effective implementation of the Scheme, implementing States may formulate guidelines for assessing eligibility of beneficiaries & institutions and modalities for Direct benefit transfer, which shall be in accordance with the objectives

of the Scheme provided that the States shall not be at liberty to impose any guideline which enhances or has the effect of enhancing the liability of the Centre under the Scheme.

b. The Centre may call for reports from time to time and issue guidelines for effective implementation. The guidelines and eligibility norms of the scheme may also be changed by Central government as deemed necessary.

XVI. Inspection and Monitoring of the scheme:

The States/ Union Territories implementing the scheme shall monitor physical and financial performance of the scheme at the States/ Union Territories level. For this purpose, an IT enabled monitoring mechanism shall be in place. The States/ Union Territories will be required to furnish quarterly financial and physical progress reports to the Ministry. The States/ Union Territories shall maintain year wise details of the students receiving scholarship, indicating school/ college/ institute, location of school/ college/ institute, government or private, class, gender and new or renewal. The States/ Union Territories shall place relevant physical and financial details in their official website. All the State/ UT governments will ensure that all private institutions are annually inspected by Group 'A' officer,

XVI. Evaluation

The performance of the scheme will be evaluated by Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (GOI) at least once every three years, to begin with.

XVII. Administrative Charges

The Centre will have a budgetary provision of administrative cost, which will be equivalent to 1% of funds released by the Centre to States in the terminal year of the previous plan period. The States/UTs can seek administrative charges towards implementing, monitoring etc. the scheme, up to 1% of the funds released and stipulated above to that particular

State. Out of above Centre can also avail 10% budget for its own administrative and monitoring expenses.

XVIII. Transitory provision for existing beneficiaries

Beneficiaries of scholarships under the pre-revised Post Matric Scholarship Scheme for SCs will continue to be governed by terms and conditions as prevailed before amendment of the scheme till completion of the course for which he/she is availing Scholarship. (However, redefined committed liability to State Govts/ UT administrations will be applicable from the year 2017-18.)

GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT ASSAM SECRETARIAT (C) GUWHAHATI-06.

Dated Dispur, the 29th May,2019

No.AHE.639/2018/11

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: Scheme for Waiver of admission fees tuition fees etc. for Students taking Admission in H.S., Degree and M.A/M.Sc/M.Com Course.

Hon'ble Finance Minister, Assam while presenting the Annual Budget for the Financial Year 2019-20 has announced in para 48 to 49 of the Budget Speech 2019-20 that to this effect, we had announced several benefits including provision of admission fee waiver to upto degree level students whose parents' annual income is less than Rs. 1 lakh. From 2019-20, for free admission, we will enhance the parental income level of Rs. 1 lakh to Rs. 2 lakh.

- **1. Aim:** The aim of the scheme is access to the poor students of the State and to help them achieve the benefits of Higher Education.
- **2. Scope and Applicability**: The Scheme will be applicable to the students seeking admission into 1st Year of H.S./B.A./B.Sc./B.Com and M.A./M.Sc/M.Com courses. Students taking admission in any self-financing course are not eligible under this scheme. In case of H.S. and B.A./B.Sc/B.Com course, those students whose fees were waived earlier will also be eligible to avail the scheme for the second year and third year admission. For M.A./M.Sc./M.Com the benefit of the scheme is applicable for Final Year for those whose fees were waived earlier.

3. Institutes incorporated under the scheme :

- i. All Provincialized and Govt. Colleges
- ii. Gauhati University, Guwahati
- iii. Dibrugarh University, Dibrugarh
- iv. Bodoland University, Kokrajhar
- v. Cotton University, Guwahati
- vi. Kumar Bhaskar Varma Sanskrit & Ancient Studies University, Nalbari
- vii. Women's University, Jorhat.

This scheme will not cover Private Colleges, Private Universities and Central Universities situated in Assam. The Scheme will be applicable to students pursuing higher education in Colleges and Universities of Assam in the categories stated above.

4. Applicability:

Category of students eligible under the scheme:

- 1. Students whose parental annual income is less than Rs. 2.00 lakh from all source will be eligible to avail this scheme.
- 2. If either of the parent (mother or father) of the student is working in the State Govt./ Central Govt./ Semi Govt./ State or Central Govt. undertakings, such students shall not be eligible under this scheme.
- 3. Scheme is only for regular students having minimum 75% of attendance in classes with no back paper in previous examination.

5. Proof of Income/ Documents required:

An Income Certificate from the Local Revenue Circle Officer only.



- ii. A declaration from the students that neither of the parents (father or mother) of the student is an employee of State/Central Govt. Department or its undertaking. Such form shall be devised by the concerned Registrars/Principals. If such a declaration is found to be false, the admission shall be cancelled and fee shall be realized from such students.
- 6. Power of Admission Committees: The Admission Committees of the concerned Colleges and Universities shall have the power to enquire into the income of the family in case of doubt in regard to students and if the committee is of the view that the income of the parents exceeds Rs, 2.00 Lakh, the Committee may recommend cancellation of admission notwithstanding documents submitted by the student. Such enquiry may commence suo moto by the institute or on a complaint received against any student availing benefit under this scheme. The Category of Institutes coming under the purview of the Scheme, shall constitute such committees comprising of Senior Teachers. The Principal/ Registrar of the institution shall observe due diligence and will not allow any undeserving candidates. The Director of Higher Education will make random check of income certificate and disciplinary action may be taken against the student/ official or principal.

7. Fee to be waived under the Scheme:

Year	Category of Admission	Nature of Fees to be Waived
1st Year/	Higher Secondary,	All Fees that a College or University realizes
New	B.A./B.Sc./B.Com./ and	from Students in Normal Course rate not to
Admission ·	M.A./M.Com/M.Sc. Session	exceed than the fee realized Last year i.e 2018-
•	2019-20	19 session
2 nd Year and	For those admitted in	Colleges will realize only Magazine fees,
3 rd Year	B.A./B.Sc./B.Com. with no fee	Games & Sports fees and College Week Fees.
admission	during the session 2017-18 and	All other fees will be exempted. This benefit
	2018-19.	will accrue to those students who were
Final year	M.A./M.Sc./M.Com. for the	admitted under this scheme during 2016-17,
admission	session 2019-20 for those	2017-18 and 2018-19 session
	admitted with no fee during the	
	session 2018-19	

8. Duties and Responsibilities of Students availing the Scheme :

Students seeking admission into 1st year will plant a sapling at his/her College or at his/her home and shall give photograph of the same to the college, The student has to nurse the sapling and while seeking admission into second year shall give photograph of the same tree that was planted during previous year. A Scrutiny Committee shall be constituted comprising teachers from Biology background who shall examine the photographs and will assess the genuineness of the Photographs and growth of the plant. If the College does not have science stream, teachers from nearby colleges will be deputed for such purpose by the Director of Higher Education. Only on receipt of recommendation from the Committee, the student can avail subsequent year fee waiver. This will be effective from the session 2019 (applicable to those who benefitted under the scheme during 2016-17 and 2017-18 session). Students availing the fee waiver benefit during the Current Year shall submit photograph of the sapling planted by them earlier to the College authority and the college authority shall scrutinize the authenticity of the same and allow the candidate accordingly.

- 9. Responsibility of Colleges and Universities: All Colleges and Universities will be required to upload the names of students admitted availing fee waiver benefit, in this respective website.
- 10. Marking at the reverse of Mark Sheet of candidate given free admission:
 - The Colleges giving free admission under this scheme shall give one endorsement at the reverse of relevant mark sheet of the student so that the student does not seek free admission in multiple colleges
 - ➤ The Colleges and Universities will devise Rubber Seal and use the seal at the reverse of mark sheets of the beneficiary students.

The Colleges and Universities will send the requirement for reimbursement of fund in prescribed proforma together with name of students availing the benefit under the scheme within 45 days of admissions so that the Director can move Govt. for release of fund to institutes.

Sd/-

Addl. Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Assam Higher Education Department.

Memo No. AHE.639/2018/11-A

Dated Dispur, the 29th May, 2019

Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:

- 1. The P.S. to the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Assam for kind apprisal of Hon'ble Chief Minister.
- 2. The P.S. to the Hon'ble Minister, Education, Assam for for kind apprisal of Hon'ble Minister.
- 3. P.S. to the Addl. Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Higher Education Department for kind apprisal of Addl. Chief Secretary.
- 4. P.S. to the Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, finance Department for kind apprisal of Commissioner & Secretary.
- 3. The Director of Higher Education, Assam for necessary action: He will communicate the order to all the Principals through posting it in his website.
- 6. The Director of Information & Public Relations Assam for wide publicity.

7. Guard file

Mg/m29/5/19

Jt. Secretary to the Govt. of Assam Higher Education Department.

GUIDELINES FOR

POST GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP FOR SINGLE GIRL CHILD

2018-19

UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION BHADUR SHAH ZAFAR MARG NEW DELHI – 110 002



UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION BHADUR SHAH ZAFAR MARG NEW DELHI – 110 002

GUIDELINES FOR POST GRADUATE INDIRA GANDHI SCHOLARSHIP FOR SINGLE GIRL CHILD

1. INTRODUCTION

It is observed that number of girls as against boys in certain states is declining which is a matter of great concern. The females are even forced to give birth to male child. In such circumstances education of women needs to be used and effective means for their empowerment and education will prepare them to have a control over their lives. The mindset which militates against the girl child could not keep pace with economic progress and literacy. The Government of India declared elementary education as a basic human right of every child. The Union Government of India has taken various steps to uplift the status of women by implementing various schemes including free education for girls. In order to achieve and promote girls education, UGC has introduced a Post Graduate Indira Gandhi Scholarship for Single Girl Child with an aim to compensate direct costs of girl education to all levels especially for such girls who happen to be the only girl child in their family.

2. OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the proposed scheme are:

- a) To support post graduate education of single girl child in postgraduate courses only.
- b) To recognize the value of observance of small family norm.

3. TARGETGROUP

- Girl students who are admitted in the first year of PG courses in the following Universities / Colleges and happen to be the only girl child in the family:
- Universities/Institutions/Colleges included under section 2(f) & and 12(B) of UGC Act.
- Deemed to be Universities included under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956 and eligible to receive grants-in-aid from UGC. Those Deemed Universities which do not receive funds from the Central/ State Government are not eligible institutions under the scheme.
- Universities/Institutions/College funded by Central/State Government.
- Institutes of National Importance.
- Girl students without having any brother or the girl student who are twin daughters/ fraternal daughter may also apply for scholarship under the aforesaid scheme. In a family if one son and one daughter is available then girl child will not be considered for scholarship under the scheme.

4 ELIGIBILITY

- **Slots**: 3000
- **Age limit**: Girl students up to the age of 30 years at the time of admission in first year of PG courses are eligible.
- The scheme is applicable to such single girl child who has taken admission in regular, full-time first year Masters Degree course in any designated university or a post graduate college.
- Admission to PG Course in Distance education mode is not covered under the scheme.

5 NATURE OF ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE UNDER THESCHEME

Amount of fellowship: Rs.36,200/- p.a. for a period of two years only i.e. full duration of a PG course. No other additional grant will be payable in lieu of hostel charges and medical charges etc.

6 PROCEDURE FORAPPLYING

- The candidates fulfilling the eligibility conditions are required to apply online on National Scholarship Portal after initiation of application process and notice to be published on UGC website.
- The host institution where the candidate is studying is required to verify the online application.
- It is expected from the institutions where student has taken admission in the first year PG course, no tuition fees will be charged by the institute from girl students to pursue PG degree course in Universities/Colleges/Institutions

7 AADHAARSEEDING

The Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India vide its letter D.O. No. 18-7/2013-U1A dated 10th June, 2016 has instructed the University Grants Commission that from the financial year 2016-17 onwards the Aadhaar will be used as an identifier for disbursement of all Government subsidies/Scholarships/Fellowships which are to be disbursed directly into the beneficiary's account. The disbursals will be governed by the Aadhaar Act, 2016.

8. PROCEDURE FOR APPLYING FOR THE SCHEME

- Applications will be invited once in a year on the National e-Scholarship Portal of the Government of India. Short notification will also be uploaded on the UGC website.
- Incomplete applications will be summarily rejected. Only verified online applications will be considered for award of scholarship.
- ➤ Affidavit regarding Single girl child status may be uploaded as per format given in Annexure-II.
- ➤ Joining report as per Annexure-I has to be uploaded.

9. SELECTION PROCEDURE

- > 3,000 fresh scholarships will be awarded every year.
- The awardee can avail of other scholarship also during the tenure of this scholarship.

10. JOINING

The scholar would be awarded from the date of joining the course as certified by the University/ Institution/ College.

11. DURATION OF SCHOLARSHIP

➤ After selection, the awardees will be paid scholarship on DBT mode on annual basis.

12. RENEWALS

- The scholarship will be renewed for the next year of study on receipt of renewal.
- > Students failing to get promoted to the next class/ level would forfeit the scholarship.
- ➤ Change in course of study will not be permitted. If the awardee changes the course of study, the scholarship will stand forfeited from the date of such a change.
- > Scheme will be implemented and monitored by the UGC.
- ➤ The awardees of previous years will continue to follow the pattern of assistance through UGC/Canara Bank portal.

JOINING REPORT

POST GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP FOR SINGLE GIRL CHILD

			<u> </u>	
Institution/College/U	Iniversity		Uni	affiliated to
Her enrolment numb	`	,		
This is to certify that	She belongs to		category	7.
It is certified that she	is eligible to draw	the above sch	nolarship as per guideline	es of the scheme.
The score of the cand	lidate in the under	graduation ex	amination is as follows:	
Max. Marks			In case of grade point system, CGPA obtained	1
Marks obtained			Equivalent percentage	
Percentage				
She will be provided	with all necessary	facilities duri	ng her tenure of award. T	The terms and

She will be provided with all necessary facilities during her tenure of award. The terms and conditions of the offer are acceptable to Awardee.

(Signature and seal of verifying Officer)

<u>A F F I D A V I T</u> (MUST BE ON Rs.50/- STAMP PAPER)

I son/wife of	
(father/mother name)	
resident of	
do hereb	by make oath and state as under:-
1. That the Deponent is the father / mother	er of
	(candidate name)
2. That the deponent's daughter is a Single family and there is no other male and fer	e Girl Child/Twin Daughter/Fraternal Daughter of the male child in my family.
Verified aton this	that the contents of the above
(place) (date - month - year) affid correct to my personal knowledge and belief.	
	DEPONENT Signature
	Name
	Full Address
Seal & Signature of	(
SDM / First Class Magistrate / Gazetted Officertifying the aforesaid declaration.	cer (not delow the rank of Tenshaar)

GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM

HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SSAM SECRETARIAT:::BLOCK'C' GROUND FLOOR

DISPUR:::GUWAHATI-6

No. AHE.794/2019/31

email:higherednassam@gmail.com Dated Dispur, the 8th August, 2022

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUB: Guidelines for implementation of mobility grants to the post graduate girls student.

In pursuance to Hon'ble Finance Minister, Budget Speech 2022-23 to provide a mobility grant of Rs. 10,000/- per year to girls students pursuing post graduate degree under Pragyan Bharati. In view of above, following guidelines have been prescribed in order to implement the scheme of mobility grants to the post graduate girls student under Pragyan Bharati.

Objective of the Schemes: The main objective of Mobility Grants to Post Graduate Girls Student are as below:

- (1) To attract girl students of weaker section to continue Higher Education.
- (2) Empowerment of women.
- (3) To relieve the burden of parents.
- Eligibility Criteria
- : (1) Girls students studying in Post Graduate 1st year and 2nd year during the year 2022 will be eligible under the scheme.
- (2) Only regular girls students studying in State Universities and Autonomous Colleges can avail the grant.
- (3) Family income must be below Rs.5.00 Lakh
- Time Frame
- : (1) Advertisement for the scheme will be issued in Daily News Paper widely circulated in Assam with 15th August, 2022.
 - (2) Girl students to submit application to the Registrar of concerned University within 1st September, 2022.
 - (3) The University Authority will submit proposal to the DHE, Assam within 15th September.
 - (4) DHE, Assam will submit proposal to the Govt. for financial sanction within 30th September, 2022.

Mode of application : (1) Prescribed format for the Mobility Grants will be provided in the **DHE**'s Web Portal

- (2) The girls student to submit their application to the Registrar of concerned University.
- (3) The Registrar of concerned University with necessary verification will submit the consolidated statement of proposal to the DHE for the grant.

Amount to be provided

to each girl student

: Rs. 10,000/- per annum to each girl student pursuing post graduate course.

Mode of payment

: By DBT system through Bank Account to the girl student.

Sd/-

Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt of Assam Higher Education Department

PA(

Memo.No. AHE.794/2019/31-A

Dated Dispur, the 8th August, 2022

Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:

 Thepp.S. to the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Assam for kind appraisal of Hon'ble Chief Minister.

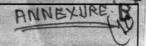
- 2. The P.S. to the Hon'ble Minister, Education, Assam for kind appraisal of Hon'ble Minister.
- 3. P.S. to the Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Higher Education Department for kind appraisal of Commissioner & Secretary
- 4. P.S. to the Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Finance Department for kind appraisal of Commissioner & Secretary.
- 5 The Director of Higher Education, Assam for necessary action: He will communicate the order to all the Colleges & Universities of the State through posting it in his website.

6. The Director of Information & Public Relations Assam for wide publicity.

7. Guard file.

Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of Assam. Higher Education Department.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF HIGHER EDUCATION, ASSAM KAHILIPARA ::::: GUWAHATI-19.



ADVERTISEMENT FOR PROVIDING MOBILITY GRANTS TO THE GIRL STUDENTS.

Applications are invited from the Girl students pursuing Post Graduate degree in 1st year or 2nd year in the State University or Autonomous colleges of Assam for providing Mobility Grant as per Govt. O.M. No. AHE.794/2019/31 dated Dispur the 8th August, 2022 who fulfils the following criterias:-

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

- 1. The Girl students studying in Post Graduate 1st year or 2nd year during the year 2022.
- 2. Only regular Girl students studying in State Universities or Autonomous colleges can avail the grant.
- 3. Family income must be below Rs.5.00 lakh per annum.
- 4. The Girl students must have a active Bank Account in their name in a Nationalized Bank.

Intending girl students fulfilling the above mentioned criteria must apply through prescribed Application Form mentioned below and submit it to the concerned Registrar of the University or concerned Principal of the Autonomous College along with the necessary copies of documents within 1st September, 2022. The Application Form is also available at D.H.E.'s Website www.directorateofhighereducation.assam.gov.in.

The concern Registrar of the University or concerned Principal of the Autonomous College with necessary verification will submit the consolidated statement of proposal to the O/o Directorate of Higher Education, Assam, Kahilipara, Guwahati-781019 under their seal and signature on or before 15th September, 2022 positively.

QUANTUM OF GRANT AND MODE OF PAYMENT.

- 1. Rs. 10,000/- per annum to each Girl students
- 2. The amount will be credited in their Bank Account through DBT mode.

LIST OF THE DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED

- 1. Latest Income Certificate of the parents/guardians issued by the competent authority of the State Governments.
- 2. Readable Photostat copy of 1st page of Active Bank passbook of the Applicant.

****	PAN Card and AADHAAR Card	
	PLICATION FORM for Mobility Grants to the g year and 2 nd year) in State University or Auton	
To.		
10,	The Registrar	Iniversity(State).
	The Principal	College(Autonomous).
1.	Name of candidate (In block letter)	
2.	PAN No.	The state of the s
4.	AADHAAR No.	
5.	Contact No & Email Id of the Applicant	
6.	Name of Institution presently studying	
7.	a) Name of the Course presently studying (P.G)	
	b) Department of the PG course	DENTER THE TENTON OF THE STATE
	c) Year/Semester in which at presently studying	
	d) Date of admission in the course	
8.	Sex (mandatory)	Fomale
9.	Annual Income of the Parents (Income not to exceed Rs. 5.00 Lakh per annum, certificate issued by the competent Authority is mandatory)	
10.		:(Readable Photocopy of 1* page of Pass Book must be enclose)

	100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100						
Name of the A/c holder	Name of the Bank	Branch Name	IFSC Code No	Bank Account Number			

I hereby apply for the State Government Mobility Grants for the year 2022 and declare that the information given in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. In case any information given in this application proves to be false or incorrect, I shall be responsible for the consequences and my candidature may be rejected at any point of time.

Date: Full signature of the applicant.

N.B.: Hard copy of the Application Form along with all relevant documents is to be submitted to the concerned Registrar or Principal only within 1st September, 2022 positively.

Janasanyog/D-10492/22

Consolidated statement of Girl students for providing Mobility Grants as per Govt. O.M. No. AHE.794/2019/31 dated 08-08-2022.

Sl.No.	Name of the	Name of	Father's/	Regularly	Course in	Department	Registration	Family	Name	IFSC	Account	ADHAR	Mobile	E. mail
	University/	the Girl	Guardian	Studying	P.G.		No.	income	of the	Code.	No.	No.	No.	I.D.
	Autonomous	students.	name .	in P.G.	(M.A./M.				Bank.					
	college.			degree 1st	Sc/M.Com									
383	2.7700			year or	etc.									
			15	2 nd year										8
				in 2022.										
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
						*								
	6					*					1			
					8									
,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,					2									

Certified that the Data of above mentioned Girl students are correct.

Signature with Seal

Registrar -

Principal -

GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT DISPUR::: GUWAHATI-781006

Dated Dispur, the 2nd August,

No. AHE.793/2019/3

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Scheme for subsidy on mess dues of the boarders in hostels in Govt. / Provincialised Colleges and State Universities.

Hon'ble Finance Minister, Assam while presenting the Annual Budget for the financial year 2019-2020 has announced in para 51 of the Budget Speech 2019-20 that "I would like to announce a subsidy of Rs.700/- per student per month to be paid for 10 months in a year, irrespective of their economic status, on the mess bills, for those students staying in the hostels of Government or Provincialised Colleges and Universities. I hope this will reduce some of the anxieties confronting the parents".

- 1. Aim: The aim of the scheme is to provide subsidy to the boarders in hostels and to relief the parents from extra financial burden.
- 2. Scope of applicability: The subsidy will be provided to the hostel boarders residing in the hostels in Government, Provincialised Colleges and State Universities of Assam. The subsidy is meant for all boarders irrespective of their Economic status.
- 3. Institute incorporated under the Scheme: All Govt., Provincialised Colleges and State Universities of Assam.
- 4. Applicability: The subsidy will be provided only for regular students. Any students who is expelled from the hostel will not be entitled to the subsidy and his name will be deleted from the list.
- 5. Benefit of the Scheme: Each boarder of the hostels will get Rs.700/- per month subsidy against their mess dues. The subsidy will be for 10 months in one academic year. The money will be transferred to beneficiaries through DBT mode.
- 6. Duties of Universities & Colleges: The Registrars of Universities and Principals of Colleges have to submit the list of beneficiaries alongwith Bank Account details for necessary reimbursement of the mess bills. The list of beneficiaries must be submitted by the concerned authorities to the Director of Higher Education, after admission is over with a soft copy preferably online for necessary sanction.
- 7. Utilization of fund: The Registrars of Universities and Principals of Colleges have to submit the utilization certificate in details in due course.

Sd/- (S.Z.Hazarika, IAS) Secretary to the Govt. of Assam Higher Education Department Dated Dispur, the 2nd August, 2019

Memo No. AHE.793/2019/3 - A Copy to:

- 1. PS to the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Assam, Dispur, Guwahati-781006 for kind apprisal of the Hon'ble Chief Minister.
- 2. PS to the Hon'ble Minister, Education, Assam Dispur, Guwahati-781006 for kind apprisal of the Hon'ble Minister.
- 3. PS to the Advisor, Education, Assam, Dispur, Guwahati-781006 for apprisal of the Advisor.
- 4. PS to the Addi. Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Higher Education Department, Dispur, Guwahati-781006 for apprisal of Addl. Chief Secretary.
- 5. PS to the Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Higher Education Department, Dispur, Guwahati-781006 for apprisal of Commissioner & Secretary.
- 6. PS to the Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Higher Education Department, Dispur, Guwahati-781006 for apprisal of Secretary.
 - The Director of Higher Education, Assam, Kahilipara, Guwahati-781006 for information and necessary action.
- 8. The Director of Information and Public Relation, Assam for wide publicity.
- 9. Guard file.

Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Assam Higher Education Department

Statement for release of subsidy on mess dues of the boarders in hostel in State Universities/ Govt. Colleges /Provincialised Colleges in Assam

Name of University	/College
Name of District	Pin code

SI No	Name Boarder	of	Male/ Female	Class and Semester	Mobile No.	Name of Bank	Bank Accounts No.	IFS Code	Total amount for ten month @ Rs.700/-P.M.	Remarks in any
1	2		3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
								-		
					 	_				

Registrar/Principal University/College

