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SANCTION LETTERS FOR SCHOLARSHIPS AND FREESHIPS PROVIDED BY THE GOVERNMENT DURING THE YEAR, 2020-2021

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Government of India Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region North Eastern Council Secretariat Nongrim Hills, Shillong-793003

No.NEC/HRD&E/159/DBT-NSP/2019(Pt) Dated: Shillong, 18th August,2020.

SCHOLARSHIP NOTIFICATION

NEC Merit Scholarship is on boarded on National Scholarship Portal (NSP) which is now open for inviting application from student of North Eastern Region for the Academic Year 2020-21.

The portal will remain open from 16th August, 2020 to 31st October, 2020. All concerned and interested candidates of NER may log on to NSP portal [http://scholarships.gov.in/] for eligibility criteria and uploading the documents in order to apply for availing the NEC Merit Scholarship for the Diploma/ Degree/ Post Graduate/ M. Phil. and Ph.D. candidates.

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION NORTH EASTERN COUNCIL SECRETARIAT NONGRIM HILLS, SHILLONG-793003

Subject: Publishing of Advertisement in the leading Newspaper of NE States- reg.

This is to inform you that NEC Merit Scholarship is on-boarded on National Scholarship Portal which is now open for inviting application from the student of North Eastern Region for the Academic Year 2020-21.

You are requested to publish the Advertisement in the reputed States Daily Newspaper of the N. E. States and give publicity inviting the fresh candidates of the North Eastern States to apply for the NEC Merit Scholarship in NSP [http://scholarships.gov.in/] which is open w.e.f. 16th August, 2020 to 31st October 2020.

The content of the Advertisement is enclosed herewith.

(Gopal Chetri) Adviser (IFC&WSM)& I/C Director (HRD&E)

<u>U.O. No.NEC/HRD&E/159/DBT-NSP/2019(Pt)</u> <u>Dated: 18th August, 2020.</u>

Director (IPR) NEC Sectt. Shillong.

Copy to the:

- 1. Sr.PS to Secretary for kind information of Secretary, NEC Sectt. Shillong.
- 2. PA to Planning Adviser for kind information of Planning Adviser, NEC Sectt. Shillong.
- 3. Sr. Technical Director, NIC-NEC Sectt. Shillong is requested to upload the advertisement in the NEC website and also to upload the NEC Merit Scholarship Guidelines in the website.

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 recognized State/Central board with				
	minimum 60% marks in aggregate.				
Degree	HSSLC/Senior Secondary Leaving certificate examination from a				
	recognized 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) (http://scholarships.gov.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. (ECS & PFMS details of individual to be furnished)
- 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 favored 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.

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

No.DHE/EG/NSP-11/2019/21

Dated Kahilipara the, 3/09/2019

From

Smti A. Kataky, AES

Jt. Director of Higher Education, Assam,

Kahilipara, Guwahati-19

The Principal (All) Govt. & Provincialized Colleges/ Mahavidyalaya Assam.

Sub

Regarding National Scholarship Portal (NSP).

Ref

Govt. Letter No. AHE.881/2017/93, Dtd. 09/08/2019

Sir.

With reference to the subject cited above, I am directed to forward herewith the letter received from the Jt. Secretary to the Goyt, of Assam, Higher Education Department regarding National Scholarship Portal (NSP) which is self explanatory for taking necessary action on the matter from your end.

This is for favour of information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully:

Jt. Director of Higher Education, Assam.

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No.DHE/EG/NSP/1/2019/101

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From:-

Sri Joy Ram Hazarika, AES

Dy. Director of Higher Education, Assam

Kahilipara, Guwahati-19.

To,

1. The Registrar (All)

Universities of Assam. •

2. The Principal (All)

Govt. & Provincialized Colleges of Assam.

Sub:-

Implementation of three Scholarships Schemes for Minority students

through National Scholarship Portal (NSP) for the year 2020-21.

Ref:-

Letter No. CADA-309/2020-21/31-37, Dated 11/09/2020

Sir,

With reference to the subject cited above, I am directed to enclose herewith a letter alongwith relevant documents received from the Directorate of Char Areas Development Assam, Hengrabari Road, Dispur, Guwahati-06 regarding Implementation of three Scholarships Schemes for Minority students through National Scholarship Portal (NSP) for the year 2020-21 which is self explanatory for examination and taking further action from your end as desired.

This is for favour of your kind information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully

Dy. Director of Higher Education, Assam

Kahilipara, Guwahati-19. Kahilipara, the 01/10/2020

Memo No. DHE/EG/NSP/1/2019/101-A

Copy to:

1. The Directorate of Char Areas Development Assam, Hengrabari Road, Dispur, Guwahati-06.

Dy. Director of Higher Education, Assam Kahilipara, Guwahati-19

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Dy. Director of Higher Education, Assam Kahilipara, Guwahati-19





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DIRECTORATE OF CHAR AREAS DEVELOPMENT ASSAM HENGRABARI ROAD, DISPUR, GUWAHATI-6

No.CADA-309/2020-21/31-37

Dated Dispur, the 11th September'2020

From: Director,

Char Areas Development Assam and State Nodal Officer, Dispur, Guwahati-6

To

1, The Director, Higher Education, Kahilipara, Guwahati

- 2. The Director, Technical Education, Kahilipara, Guwahati
- 3. The Director, Medical Education, Sixmile, Guwahati
- 4. Director, Secondary Education, Kahilipara, Guwahati
- 5. Director, Elementary Education, Kahilipara, Guwahati

Sub: Implementation of three Scholarships schemes for Minority Students through National Scholarship Portal (NSP) for the year 2020-21.

Sir/Madam,

I am enclosing herewith a copy of the Minutes of meeting held on 31-08-2020 with a request to go through the decisions mentioned in the Minutes and apprise all your institutions associated with availing of Scholarship for Minority students under your respective jurisdiction.

This is for favour of your kind information and necessary action.

Enclo: As above.

Yours faithfully

Chak Areas Development Assam Dispur, Guwahati-6

Memo No.CADA-309/2020-21/

Dated Dispur, the 11th September'2020

Copy to:

- 1. The Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Welfare of Minorities and Development Department, Dispur, for favour of information.
- 2. The Director, Assam Minority Development Board for information and necessary action.

Char Areas Development Assam Dispur, Guwahati-6

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Minutes of the Meeting held through Video Conference under the Chairpersonship of Joint Secretary (Edn), Ministry of Minority Affairs on 31.08.2020 at 10:00 AM in 'Manthan', 11th Floor, CGO Complex, New Delhi regarding the implementation of three Scholarship Schemes for Minorities through National Scholarship Portal during 2020-21

Ms Niva Singh, Joint Secretary (Edn), Ministry of Minority Affairs took a meeting through video conference on 31.08.2020 with all participating States/UTs to discuss issues regarding the implementation of three Scholarship Schemes for Minorities through the National Scholarship Portal (NSP) during 2020-21. Representatives from NIC, HQ participated in the deliberations. A list of participants is annexed.

- 2. Initiating the discussions, Joint Secretary (Education) welcomed all participants and appreciated the contributions and hard work of NSP team, NIC and SNOs, DNOs and their teams from all participating States/UTs for successful implementation of three scholarship schemes for minorities for FY 2019-20 and expected that their performance would be even better during FY 2020-21. She stated that during this year, while the NSP portal has started late and the pandemic situation continues, FY 2020-21 seems to be more challenging due to severe limitations and time constraints and the SNOs, DNOs and their teams have to work together with all stakeholders for better and successful implementation of three scholarship schemes for minorities.
- 3. She stated that the verification at L1 & L2 levels should be done with due diligence by INO/DNO/SNO for removal of fake applications so that there is no need of any revalidation process after L-2 level verification. This only delays the payment of scholarship every year. Further, she asked to analyze the reasons for receipt of less renewal applications every year, as compared to the eligible renewal applicants, so that Ministry may take remedial measures accordingly. She also emphasized to speed up the process of KYC registration of institutions on NSP portal through better publicity/ advertisement and awareness at INO level.
- 4. Thereafter, Shri Dhruv Chakravarty, Dy. Secretary (Scholarships) requested Shri Shashi Bhushan, Dy. DG, NIC (NSP) for a presentation on the last year's performance of all States/UTs in respect of three scholarship schemes and the modalities for implementation of these schemes during 2020-21. NIC presented a comparative study on the performance of all States/UTs under the three schemes of MoMA. It was informed that a large number of applications remained unverified at L1 and L2 levels requiring their attention during 2020-21. It was also informed about the States with large number of rejections during revalidation process and the States with higher pendency of KYC registration. Hence, NIC requested all States/UTs to verify the applications sincerely and to complete the process till the last beneficiary and complete the KYC registration of the pending institutes so that the students of these institutes would be able to avail the benefit of the scholarship schemes in FY 2020-21.

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- 5. DS (SS) added that if large number of institutes remains out of the system, it will result into loss of scholarships to students studying in these institutes defeating the purpose of implementation of these schemes of MoMA.
- 6. NSP, NIC proceeded with the presentation and explained the following changes in NSP during 2020-21:
 - a. The option for filling fee details (Admission Fee, Tuition Fee and Miscellaneous Fee) will not be provided to students from this Academic Year (2020-21). Instead, it is to be filled by the Institutes. NSP team has made a provision for Institutes to enter course-wise fee (Admission Fee, Tuition Fee and Miscellaneous Fee) details in Institutes' profile section. During verification at Institute level, the fee will auto populated in student application form as per the details entered by Institutes in their profile. The Institutes can further edit the fee details for individual applications, based on various waivers given for fee components to specific students.
 - b. New module of making payments through PFMS, wherein the Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) at State/UT (Agency level) will now be applied at NSP, instead of PFMS. During the year 2020-21, the States/UTs will no longer be required to apply DSC on PFMS portal.
 - c. In case of bank account validation failure or payment failure, due to which we are unable to send scholarship payment to applicants, NSP is giving applicants an option to update their bank account. Now it has been decided that this facility to applicants to update the bank account shall be provided only once, which can be given either after bank account validation failure or after payment failure.
- 7. DS (SS) added that due to the above new provision for applying DSC on NSP portal, the accountability of SNO will increase and simultaneously the payment process will be expedited. DS (SS) also mentioned that since NIC is a centralised portal, working under DBT Mission, Cabinet Secretariat, and has its own structural limitations. Hence, the request for any change i.e. extension for timelines of L1 and L2 level verification and revalidation by States/UTs should be sent to Ministry only in exceptional cases.
- 8. NIC has asked the States of Tamil Nadu, Mizoram and Chhattisgarh, where some new districts have been created, to send the details of newly created districts and their erstwhile districts so that the institutions belonging to the erstwhile districts could be shifted to the newly created districts on NSP portal. NIC also requested these states that they may not reject the renewal applicants of these districts on the basis of wrong districts mentioned in the application form and the concerned DNOs may verify such renewal applications of FY 2020-21. Also, the details of the district Nodal Officers of these new districts may be registered on NSP portal.

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- 9. J&K team requested MoMA to provide the information of SNO of Ladakh for separation of works relating to UT of Ladakh. MoMA informed that the separate SNO of Ladakh has already been nominated and communicated to NIC for the new login creation on NSP portal. The SNO of Ladakh has confirmed the receipt of new login credential, however, it was informed to NIC that the provisions such as KYC approval etc. is not working in the SNO login. NIC informed that it will look into this issue and resolve soon.
- 10. JS (Edn) also asked States/UTs to share their view with other states, related to the challenges/hardships faced by the students in submitting the hard copy of the documents to the verification authority, since the institutions especially schools are closed in the states. Some States like Bihar raised the concern that in such situations, it is difficult to verify the online application of the students without having their documents. The SNO of Uttar Pradesh shared his views that the documents and other information of the students are already available with the Institutes. Hence, there should not be any difficulty in verifying at INO/DNO/SNO levels. However, if required, the students may be contacted personally by the INO/DNO to submit their documents for the verification.
- 11. The issue of data sharing was also raised by JS (Edn.) and it was reiterated that, as intimated to States and UTs earlier- the data shall be shared only at the end of the scholarship cycle as per the approved protocol of the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY).
- 12. After detailed deliberations with all State/UTs, the following decisions have been taken:
 - i. The existing guidelines of the three Scholarship Schemes stipulate the requirement of 50% marks in previous final examinations for applicants under both the fresh as well as the renewal categories. However, due to ongoing Covid-19 pandemic in FY 2020-21, many States/UT's may have decided to promote students to next class without conducting final examinations and hence the stipulation may have to be relaxed for this year.

DS (SS) requested all States/UTs to send their views on the issue with the approval of Competent Authority and after due consultation with the respective Departments of Elementary/Higher/Technical Education within a weeks' time to enable MOMA to take a decision in the matter. Karnataka, in particular was requested to share its position/decision related to the eligibility criteria based on marks for the State Scholarship Scheme, to enable MOMA to consider whether something similar could be adopted for its 3 scholarship schemes for minorities.

[Action: M/o Minority Affairs and All States/UTs]

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ii. States/UTs may also take a decision on the 'Date of Commencement of classes during 2020-21' which is to be filled by an applicant while filling up the application form and communicate the same in their respective lower formations for information of their applicants to apply on the NSP Portal accordingly.

[Action: All States/UTs]

iii. Status of advertisements and publicity for implementation of 3 Scholarship Schemes and preparedness of States/UTs for FY 2020-21.

All States/UTs have been requested to give wide publicity of three scholarship schemes through print media and other media. Awareness / training programmes may also be conducted for DNOs/INOs through regular VCs in the State. Efforts may also be made to place hoardings at District Collectorate Offices to promote the awareness for the Institution Registration, applicants, etc on NSP portal.

[Action: All States/UTs]

iv. Progress of KYC registration of Institutions on NSP Portal.

It was informed by some States like Andhra Pradesh, Assam and Tamil Nadu that the institutions located in the minority concentrated areas are already been registered on NSP portal. However, in the interest of schemes and increase in the number of applicants, rigorous exercise for KYC registration of left out institutes may be undertaken by all States/UTs. DS (SS) also advised States/UTs for proper advertisement and publicity to complete the KYC registration and to push DNOs/INOs by conducting regular VC.

[Action: All States/UTs]

v. Efforts of States/UTs for 100% Aadhaar based beneficiary coverage.

It was informed that in FY 2019-20, 80% Aadhaar based applications were received on NSP portal. However, US (SS) requested all State/UTs to give wide publicity to increase the number of Aadhaar based applications under 3 Scholarship Schemes on NSP Portal. Receipt of more Aadhaar applications will minimize the chances of fraud and duplicity of the applicants. Presently, for non-Aadhaar applicants, we cannot deny the Scholarship. It

was also advised to motivate applicants to apply with Aadhaar as it ensures early and hassle-free payment of scholarships.

[Action: All States/UTs]

vi. Disposal of pending payment files by States/UTs on PFMS Portal.

US (SS) requested all SNOs to check their respective PFMS login and digitally sign all pending payment files on PFMS, for the years up to 2019-20, so that there is no complaint relating to payment of scholarships.

[Action: All States/UTs]

vii. Review of the receipt of less renewal applications during previous years: Reasons, suggestions and remedial steps taken by the States/UTs.

DS(SS) requested all States/UTs to submit the reasons of less renewal applications in their state and the suggestions to improve the number of renewals under all three scholarship schemes, so that necessary remedial steps could be taken at the level of MoMA.

[Action: M/o Minority Affairs and All States/UTs]

viii. Requirement of the details of newly created Districts and their erstwhile districts in Mizoram, Chhattisgarh, Tamil Nadu, etc for necessary updations on NSP Portal.

The States of Mizoram, Chhattisgarh, Tamil Nadu, Nagaland, etc may send the details of newly created Districts along with their erstwhile districts, so that the institutions registered under these districts may be transferred on NSP portal accordingly and the bifurcation of Fresh and Renewal students studying in these institutes could also be updated on the NSP portal.

[Action: Mizoram, Chhattisgarh, Tamil Nadu, Nagaland, etc]

ix. Refund of unspent balance, refunds amount of previous years and submission of pending Utilisation Certificates (UCs) thereof for release of fresh Administrative Expenses to States/UTs.

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The State of Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, etc requested for release of the Administrative Expenses (A.E). They were requested to submit the Utilization Certificates against unspent balance, refunds amount of previous years so that this Ministry may be able to release the Administrative Expenses (A.E).

[Action: M/o Minority Affairs and All States/UTs]

x. Nomination of SNO for the UT of DNHDD.

Despite sending reminder to the UT of DNH&DD about nomination of the SNO for 3 Scholarship Schemes of MoMA, the reply is still awaited from the UT. The UT of DNH&DD was requested to expedite the nomination of its SNO for 3 Scholarship Schemes of MoMA.

[Action: UT of DNHDD]

xi. Some States like J&K and Assam raised the issue of increase in fake applications in the state and demanded that there should be a provision of uploading some basic documents such as Aadhaar, Income Certificate, etc. and it should be made mandatory for uploading on NSP portal. This will help in the verification process especially at the level of DNO/SNO and confirming about the genuineness of the applicants.

DS (SS) informed that the decision about uploading or non-uploading of document on NSP portal, under any scheme, is not taken by MoMA. DBT Mission, Cabinet Secretariat is the ultimate Authority that takes such decisions relating to the NSP Portal.

xii. Tripura State informed that the scholarship amount is very less in the scholarship schemes of MoMA with comparison to the other schemes of SC/ST/OBC in their state. Also, there is no quota in some of the States Schemes, which gives the surety of selection and the scholarship. Hence, it was requested to remove the Quota under schemes.

DS(SS) informed that the Quota for any state under the 3 scholarship schemes is approved by the Cabinet. During 2020-21, the schemes are being implemented on the existing norms and thus, it is not possible during this year. Any revision of the quota may be done during the next year when the schemes are approved for continuation beyond 2020-21, when the guidelines of the schemes are also revised.

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xiii. Maharashtra State requested NIC to provide scheme-wise KYC approval Authority, so that the SNO/DNO looking after the Pre-Matric scheme will only be able to approve the schools. They also requested NIC to delete some schools that are closed presently in FY 2020-21.

NIC informed that the scheme-wise KYC approval Authority is not possible. On the second issue, NIC suggested that the State can mark those institutes/schools as fake, which are closed in FY 2020-21.

13. The meeting ended with Vote of Thanks to the Chair.

ANNEX

List of participants are as under:

No.	Name	Designation	Department MoMA	
1	Ms Niva Singh	Joint Secretary (Education), Minority Affairs		
2	Ms. Rekha Raikar Kumar	Joint CGA	PFMS	
3	Shri. Shashi Bhushan Deputy Director Genera		NIC HQ (NSP)	
4	Shri Dhruv Chakravarty	Deputy Secretary (Scholarships)	МоМА	
5	Shri Aditya S. Singh	Under Secretary (Scholarships)	MoMA	
5	Shri Ravi Ranjan	Under Secretary (DBT)	DBT Mission, Cabinet Sectt.	
7	Shri Sanjay Agnihotri	Technical Director	NIC	
3	Shri Akshay Kumar	ASO	MoMA	
)	Shri Ankit Gupta	Consultant	NIC	

Name of Participating States/UTs are as under:

S. No		Name of the officer/officials	Designation	Name of Department/Directorate	Status
	ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR				Not attended
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	Sh. S. Mastan Vali	Deputy Director	Commissioner Minority Welfare Department	Attended
3	ASSAM	Sh. Mahmood Hassan, Sh. Sadiqul Islam Khan, Sh. Mohidul Islam	ACS Director and SNO Computer Programmer(Post) Computer Programmer(Pre)		Attended

N		Name of the officer/officials	Designation	Name of Department/Di ectorate	Status
4	ARUNACHAL PRADESH		•		Not attended
5	BIHAR	Sh. Azimullah Ansari	Assistant Director	Minority Welfare Department	Attended
6	H	Sh. Bikram Singh Rana	State Liaison Officer	Director Higher Education, Chandigarh Administration	Attended
7	CHHATTISGA RH	-	-		not attended
8	DADRA AND NAGAR HAVELI	-			not attended
9	DAMAN AND DIU	<u> </u>	_		not attended
10	DELHI	Sh. Raj Kumar	Deputy Director	Dept. of Welfare of SC/ST/OBC Minority	Attended
11	GOA	Smt. Annet Veena Sequeirae Gomes	District Welfare Officer	-	Attended
12	GUJARAT	Sh. S. Pranavsir	SNO		Attended
13	HARYANA	Sh. Rajpal Yadav	Joint Director, SNO	•	Attended
14			OSD Superintend ent Computer Programmer		Attended
	PRADESH		Joint Director-cum- SNO Clerk		Attended

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	JAMMU & KASHMIR	Smt. Kailash Devi	Assistant Director, SNO	Social Welfare, J&K, Civil Secretariat	Attended
	LADAKH	MOHD MUMTAZ ALI	SNO	DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE OFFICE, UT LADAKH Hq kargil	Attended
	JHARKHAND	Kumar, Sh. Raj Kishore Khakha, Sh. Vijay Kumar	Managing Director SNO Computer Operator	Jharkhand State Minority Finance and development	
		Smt. Ayesha Firdous	SNO	Directorate of Minorities	Attended
9	KERALA	DR. K.P. INDHIRA DEVI	Director	DIRECTORATE OF TECHNICAL EDUCATION	Attended
 	MADHYA PRADESH	Sh. Saurabh Daud	Assistant Director	Backward	Attended
N	MAHARASH TRA MIMBA T	Dr. Mohan Khatal, Dr. Archana Borhade, Ms Revati Sakhare	Director/SNO Joint Director Administrative Officer Superintendent	Post-Matric,	Attended
		Chouhan, Sh. S.N. Shaikh, Sh. Ashutosh Patil	Director Social Education Officer Programmer	Pre-Matric, Minority Welfare	Attended
		Md. Salauddin Khan	Deputy Director		Attended
N	IEGHALAYA		*		not attended

25	MIZORAM	Er. Lalmuankima	Secretary OSD-cum-Nodal Officer /DEO	Mizoram Scholarship Board	Attended
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26	NAGALAND	Sh. Unoto Kinimi	Program Officer, OSD	Technical Education (Post)	Attended
	ODISHA	Sh. Pabitra Mandal, Sh. Trilochan Sahoo, Sh. Priyabrata Jena	IAS, Director Also Programmer	ОВС	Attended
28	PUDUCHERR Y	-	-		Not attended
29	PUNJAB	Sh. Parminder Singh Gill	Deputy Director	Social Justice & Empowerment and Minorities	Attended
30	RAJASTHAN	Dr. Ashok Sharma Sh. Manish Chadda	Assistant Director /SNO Scholarship dealing	Jharkhand State Minority Finance and development	1
31	SIKKIM	•	-	-	Not attended
32	TAMIL NADU	Smt. M.S. Latha	SNO	Minority Welfare	Attended
33	TELANGANA	Sh. Dhanraj	SNO	Commissioner Minority Welfare Department	Attended
34	TRIPURA	Sh. Santosh Das Md. Habij Uddin	Director Deputy Director	Minority Welfare	Attended
	ND	Sh. Ramesh Lal Tamta	Legal Officer, SNO	Directorate of Minority Welfare	Attended
	PRADESH	Sh. J.P. Singh, Sh. R.P. Singh, Sh. Syed Intesar Haider	Director SNO/Joint Director Programmer Programmer	Minority Welfare	Attended

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•			Sh. Faraz Husain, Sh. Ashish Kumar	Programmer		
	37	WEST BENGAL	1	1	MA & ME Deptt., Govt. of W.B.	Attended

GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM DIRECTORATE OF WELFARE OF PLAIN TRIBES & BACKWARD CLASSES, ASSAM, RUKMINI NAGAR, GUWAHATI-6

No.DW.PMS/98/2001/163/

Dated Guwahati, the 19th October/2020

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR ST / OBC STUDENTS OF ASSAM: 2020-21

It is for information to all concerned that Fresh / Renewal applications for Pre-Matric and Post-Matric scholarships for students of Assam belonging to Scheduled Tribes (ST) and Other Backward Classes (OBC / MOBC) are invited for the year 2020-21 through National Scholarship Portal (NSP) at www.scholarships.gov.in. Applications will be entertained through online portal only for students studying in Govt. / Govt. aided / Govt. recognized / Madhyamik/ Middle / Primary School / University/ Higher Secondary / Colleges including Medical / Technical Institutions etc having valid U-DISE / AISHE / NCVT code only. The timelines for submission and verifications of applications are given below:

SI No	Name of Scheme	Eligibility (Annual Family income)	Last date for submission of online applications by student	Last date for verification of applications by Institution
1.	Pre Matric Scholarship to ST students (Class IX – X)			
2.	Post Matric Scholarship to ST students		30 th November,	31 ^{stS} December,
3.	Pre Matric Scholarship to OBC students (Class I – X)	Rs. 2.50 lakh	2020	2020
4.	Post Matric Scholarship to OBC students			

Note:

- (i) For verification of applications, each Institution has to fill their Institute's Nodal Officer registration form and get it approved by the State Nodal officer. If the Institute / school / college does not do so, they will not be able to verify the applications online.
- (ii) Name, E-mail id and contact details of the State Nodal Officer for scholarship schemes are available on this Directorate website www.directorwptbc.assam.gov.in.
- (iii) The guidelines for the schemes as well as Standard Operating procedure (SOP) and User manual for Institutes are available on National Scholarship Portal website www.scholarships.gov.in as well as on the website of this Directorate www.directorwptbc.assam.gov.in.

Institutions are hereby informed that timely verification of applications which include scrutiny of documents viz. Caste Certificate of the students, Income Certificate of the parents/guardian, admissible fees (admission, tuition etc) is the responsibility of the Institution Nodal Officer and will also be responsible/liable for any false or incorrect information. It is also the responsibility of the Institution Nodal Officer to mobilize online applications of students and after verifications of the applications within the dateline, submit the hard copy of the approved verified list to the office of the undersigned latest by 20-01-2021.

For any further details on the scholarship schemes, educational institutions and students may approach the office of the Director, Welfare of Plain Tribes and Backward Classes, Assam, Chatriniwas Path, Rukmini Nagar, Guwahati-6 or e-mail us at directorateofwptbc.assam@gmail.com.

Director, WPT&BC, Assam; Ghy-6

Memo No.DW.PMS/98/2001/163/364-75 Copy to: Dated Guwahati, the 19th October/2020

- 1) Shri R.P. Meena, Joint Secretary to the Govt. of India, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Jeevan Prakash Building, Kasturba Gandhi Marg, New Delhi for kind information.
- 2) Dr. Navaljit Kapoor, Joint Secretary to the Govt. of India, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi for kind information.
- 3) The Director, Information & Public Relation, Dispur, Guwahati-6. He is requested to kindly publish the above matter in the leading Dailies of Assamese, Bodo, Bengali, English language for wide circulation immediately.
 - 4) The Director, Elementary Education / Secondary Education / Higher Education, Assam, Kahilipara, Guwahati for information and necessary action.
 - 5) The Mission Director, Axom Sarba Siksha Abhiyan Mission / Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan, Kahilipara, Guwahati for information and necessary action.
 - 6) P.S to the Minister, WPT & BC Deptt. Dispur, Guwahati for kind appraisal of the Hon'ble Minister.
 - 7) P.S to the Commissioner and Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, WPT&BC Deptt. Dispur, Guwahati for kind appraisal of the Commissioner and Secretary.
 - 8) Shri Sanjay Agnihotri, Senior Technical Director, NICPMU-NSP, New Delhi for information and necessary action.
 - 9) Notice Board of this Directorate.

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Director, WPT & BC, Assam

GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM OFFICE OFG THEW DIRECTOR OF HIGHER EDUCATION, ASSAM KAHILIPARA, GUWAHATI-19

No.AAP/Schol./14/2013/151

Dated Kahilipara, the 28/09/2020

From:-

Sri Joy Ram Hazarika, AES

Dy. Director of Higher Education, Assam

Kahilipara, Guwahati-19.

To

1. The Registrar, (All)

Central & State Universities, Assam.

2. The Principal, (All)

Govt. & Provincialized Colleges, Assam.

Sub:-

Scholarships for SC Students of Assam, 2020-21.

Ref:-

Letter No. DSC/NSP/401/2018-19/106, Dated 02/09/2020

Sir,

With reference to the subject cited above, I am directed to enclose herewith a letter received from the Directorate of Welfare of Scheduled Castes Assam Sarumotoria Guwahati-06 regarding submission of Fresh/Renewal applications for Post Matric Scholarship for the students of Assam belonging to Scheduled Castes (SC) for the year 2020-21 through National scholarship Portal (NSP) www.scholarships.gov.in. Application will be entertained through online portal only for students studying in Govt./ Govt. aided/ Govt./ recognized/Universities/Colleges which is self explanatory for examination and taking necessary action on the matter as desired.

This is for favour of your information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully

Dy. Director of Higher Education, Assam

Kahilipara, Guwahati-19.

d Kahilipara, the 28/09/2020

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Dy. Director of Higher Education, Assam Kahilipara, Guwahati-19.



GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM DIRECTORATE OF WELFARE OF SCHEDULED CASTES, ASSAM, SARUMOTOR GUWAHATI-06.

E-Mail ID:- assamdirectorateofwelfareofsc@gmail.com

NO-DSC/NSP/401/2018-19/106

Date-02-09-2020

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SC STUDENTS OF ASSAM: 2020-21

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Sl.No	Name of Scheme	Eligibility(Annual Family Income)	Last date for submission of online applications by student	Last date for verification of application by Institution
1	Pre-Matric Scholarship to SC students read in Class IX-X	Rs. 2.50 lakhs	30 th Oct. 2020	15 th Nov, 2020
2	Post-Matric Scholarship to SC students	Rs. 2.50 lakhs		

Note:

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Director

Welfare of SC, Assam, Ghy-06.

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Memo No.DSC/NSP/401/2018-19/116-A

Date-02-09-2020

Copy to: 1. Shri B.L Meena, Joint Secretary to the Govt. of India, MOSJ&E. Jeevan Prakash Building, Kasturba Gandhi Marg. New Delhi for kind information.

- 2. The Director, Information & Public Relation. Dispur, Guwahati-06. He is request yo kindly publish the above matter in the leading Dailies for wide circulation immediately.
- 3. P.S to the Minister and Secretary to the Govt. of Assam. WPT& BC Deptt. Dispur, Guwahati for kind appraisal of the Hon'ble Minister.
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- 5. Shri Shashi Bhusan, Senior Technical Director. NICPMU-NSP, New Delhi for kind information.
- 6. The Director, Higher Education, Assam, Kahilipara, Guwahati for kind information & necessary action.
- 7. The Director, Technical Education Assam, Kahilipara, Guwahati for kind information & necessary action.
- 8. The Director, Secondary Education Assam, Kahilipara, Guwahati for kind information & necessary action.
- 9. The Project Director/ Sub-Divisional Welfare Officer...... He/She is requested to inform all the educational institution of your jurisdiction as early as possible. So that students can apply for scholarship for the year 2019-20.
 - 10. Notice Board of this Directorate.

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Director

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

No. PC/HE/SOPD/11/2020/10

Dated Kahilipara the 17th June/2020

From:

Smti. G. Phukan, ACS.,

Director of Higher Education, Assam

Kahilipara, Guwahati-19.

To,

Y. The Registrar (s),

All State Universities of Assam,

2. The Principal (s),

All Govt and Provincialised Colleges of Assam.

Sub: -

Regarding waiving of all fees relating to admission for the academic

year 2020-21.

Ref:-

Govt. Office Memorandum No.AHE.639/2018/16, dtd.10/06/2020.

Sir,

With reference to the subject cited above, I have the honour to enclose herewith a copy of Govt. 'Office Memorandum' vide No. AHE.639/2018/16 dated 10th June, 2020 regarding waiving of all fees relating to admission for the academic year 2020-21 due to the situation arising out of COVID-19 Pandemic.

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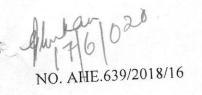
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GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT DISPUR:::GUWAHATI-6

Dated, Dispur the 10th June, 2020

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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However, fee waiver will not include Self-financing Courses of the Colleges/Institutes and hostel admission fees. Further, hostel admission fee should not be increased during the current year. Also hostel mess dues should not be part of the fee waiver scheme.

The entire fees which will be waived, will be reimbursed by the Govt. within 30 (thirty) days from the date of receipt of the claims from the respective Colleges/Institutes. The Universities and Colleges shall project claims in terms of the uniform fees structures as notified vide No. AHE.347/2-18/12 dtd. 01.06.2019.

The Director of Higher Education, Assam and the Director of Technical Education will not wait for the demand to be received from all institutes. Even if demand is received from a single institute, the proposal will be processed for re-imbursement.

The above scheme will be applicable to the students domicile from Assam only.

Sd/- Preetom Saikia, IAS Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Higher Education Department.

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 - PS to Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Higher Education Department.
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- 10. The Director of Higher Education/ Technical Education, Assam. He/She will communicate the OM to all the Principals through posting it in the website and also ensure that the names of the admitted students are uploaded in their websites. The are also requested to ensure for strict and proper implementation of the guidelines. He/She will ensure that under no circumstances the condition of the guideline is violated. for of High
 - 11. The Director of Secondary/ Elementary Education, Assam.
 - 12. The Registrar of all Universities, for uploading the names of admitted students in the
 - 2043. The Director of Information & Public Relations, Assam for wide publicity.
 - 14. Guard file.

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By order etc.,

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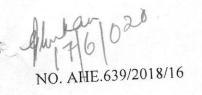
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 - 6. PS to Principal Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Finance Department.
 - PS to Principal Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Secondary/Elementary Education
 - PS to Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Higher Education Department.
 - PS to Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Higher Education Department.
- 10. The Director of Higher Education/ Technical Education, Assam. He/She will communicate the OM to all the Principals through posting it in the website and also ensure that the names of the admitted students are uploaded in their websites. The are also requested to ensure for strict and proper implementation of the guidelines. He/She will ensure that under no circumstances the condition of the guideline is violated. for of High
 - 11. The Director of Secondary/ Elementary Education, Assam.
 - 12. The Registrar of all Universities, for uploading the names of admitted students in the
 - 2043. The Director of Information & Public Relations, Assam for wide publicity.
 - 14. Guard file.

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By order etc.,

Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Higher Education Department.



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

ADVERTISEMENT FOR AWARDING SCHOLARSHIP (FRESH) UNDER COMBINED MERIT(DEGREE AND MASTER)SCHOLARSHIPSCHEME 2020-21

Online Applications (<u>www.directorateofhighereducation.assam.gov.in</u>)are invited from the intending students of Assam who fulfill the following general criteria for the above mentioned scholarship schemes.

QUANTUM OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE:

1. For UG course

@ Rs. 300/- per-month

2. For PG course

@ Rs. 500/- per month

GENERAL CONDITIONS OF ELIGIBILITY:

- 1. The minimum qualifying marks to apply for the scholarship shall be
 - a) 60% in Higher Secondary for those who apply for Combined Merit Degree Scholarship scheme
 - b) 60% in General Degree Course for those who apply for Combined Merit Master Degree Scholarship scheme
- 2. Students pursuing general Degree and Master Degree course in Arts/Science/Commerce discipline in any recognized institution for the session 2020-2021 are eligible for the schemes.
- 3. The student must be a domicile of Assam (PRC document mandatory)
- 4. The Students must have valid (up-to-date) Bank Account in their name (Preferably in SBI) and details to be submitted alongwith the application (Bank Name, A/c Number, Branch Name, IFSC Code)
- 5. Scholarship shall be disbursed through DBT system to the beneficiaries.
- 6. The Candidate should possess the relevant qualification from any recognized Institution.
- 7. Selection will be made strictly on the basis of merit in all cases and also to be restricted as per budget allocation.

HOW TO APPLY:

Intending students fulfilling the above mentioned criteria must apply online at www.directorateofhighereducation.assam.gov.inin between 13th October to 3rd November

2020 and take printout after online final submission and submit it to the Registrar/ Principal/ Head of the Institute along with the necessary copies of certificates/testimonials.

The Registrar/Principal/ Head of the Institutions will compile, verify the application form and other relevant documents. After compilation and scrutiny of all applications at the College or the University level, the valid online application form alongwith all relevant certificates/testimonials shall be submitted along with approved list to the O/o Directorate of Higher Education, Assam, Kahilipara, Guwahati – 781 019 under their seal and signature on or before 10th November, 2020 positively.

LIST OF THE DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED (SCANNED)

- a. PRC from DC/S.D.O. as Proof of Domicile of State of Assam (mandatory).
- b. Certificate from the Registrar/Head of the Institution in which the candidate is at present studying (mandatory).
- c. Final mark sheet of last qualifying examinations (i.e. H.S./T.D.C.).
- d. Photograph and Signature of the candidate.

APPLICATIONS IN ANY FORM (SOFT COPY/ HARD COPY) WILL NOT BE ENTERTAINED AFTER THE DATES STIPULATED ABOVE.

For more details and the list of the selected beneficiaries will be notified in the Official Website of Director of Higher Education, Assam, Kahilipara, Guwahati www.directorateofhighereducation.assam.gov.in

Director of Higher education, Assam

Kahilipara, Guwahati-19

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

No. PC/HE/SOPD/6/2019/61

Dated Kahilipara the 27th December /2019.

From:

Smti G. Phukan , A.C.S

Director of Higher Education, Assam,

Kahilipara, Guwahati-19.

To,

The Principal(s), (all),

Government/Provincialised Colleges, Assam.

Sub.:-

Regarding upload of necessary format for implementation of Scheme "Free Text Books".

Ref.:-

Govt. Letter No.AHE.707/2019/23 dtd. 23/12/2019.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Hon'ble Finance Minister of Assam in his budget speech-2019-20 -III-Gyan Deepika in para 49 has announced that -

"I am also happy to announce that we will provide free text books to students up to degree level(Arts,Science & Commerce) from the present level of Class XII".

The Govt. of Assam in Higher Education Department has approved guidelines for implementation of the Scheme "Free Text Books" vide Govt. letter No. AHE.707/2019/23 dtd. 23/12/2019 which is enclosed at annexure -A.

In this connection ,a format for re-imbursement of book grant through DBT to degree level students (Arts, Science and commerce) under the scheme "Free Text Books" enclosed at annexure -B.

You are requested to upload the filled up format enclosed at annexure –B in Fee Waiver web portal in our office web site <u>directorateofhighereducation.assam.gov.in</u> within 15th January/2020 positively observing all formalities as per Govt. guideline for onward submission to Govt. .

Yours faithfully,

Director of Higher Education, Assam AKahilipara, Guwahati- 19.

Memo No. PC/HE/SOPD/6/2019/61-A

Copy to :-

Dated Kahilipara the 27th December /2019.

 The under Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Higher Education Department, Dispur, Guwahati-6 with reference to the Govt. letter No. AHE.707/2019/23 dtd. 23/12/2019

> Director of Higher Education, Assam Kahilipara, Guwahati- 19

Statement for re-imbursement of financial assistance to degree level students (Arts, Science and commerce) under the scheme Free Text Booksduring the year 2019-20.

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GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT DISPUR: GUWAHATI-6

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No.AHE.707/2019/23

Dated Dispur the 23rd December, 2019

From:

Smti C K.Chakraborty,

Under Secretary to the Govt. of Assam

Higher Education Department.

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The Director of Higher Education, Assam

Kahilipara, Guwahati-19.

Sub:

Regarding approval of guidelines for implementation of Scheme "Free Text Books".

Ref:

No. PC/HE/SOPD/6/2019/55 dtd. 29/11/2019.

Madam.

With reference to subject cited above, I am directed to enclose herewith the guideline and request you to take necessary action as per guidelines with intimation to this Department.

This has the approval of Additional Chief Secretary, Education Department.

Enclo-As stated

Yours faithfully

Under Secretary to the Govt. of Assam

A Higher Education Department

Dated Dispur the 23rd December, 2019

Memo No. AHE.707/2019/23-A

Copy to:

1) P.S to Hon'ble Minister, Education, Assam.

2) P.S. to Additional Chief Secretary to the Govt. Of Assam, Education Department.

By order etc.,

Under Secretary to the Govt. of Assam Higher Education Department

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Govt. of Assam Department of Higher Education

Guidelines to provide "Free Text Book" up to Degree Level Students

1. ABOUT THE SCHEME

To benefit the college stud egents in the current financial year, Govt. of Assam decided to provide financial grant for purchasing books by students of Govt./provincialized Colleges of Assam. Proposals will be received by the Department of Higher Education, Govt. of Assam under the Scheme of Gyan Deepika to provide Free Text Books to Degree Level students (Arts, Science and Commerce) from the present level of Class XII. Financial grant will be provided to the students against the approved proposals submitted by college authority. The scheme will encourage and help financially the students of different streams like Arts, Science and Commerce from various Govt./Provincialized Colleges of Assam.

2. ELIGIBILITY/TARGET GROUP

Financial assistance under the scheme will be provided to all the degree students of Arts, Science and Commerce of Govt./provincialized Colleges in Assam in this financial year 2019-20.

3. TERMS & CONDITIONS

- i. Department will fix the grant amount proportionately among the various streams (Arts, Science and Commerce) out of the budgeted amount on the basis of number of students enrolled.
- ii. The Govt. will provide a grant maximum up to RS. 1000/- (for each Science, Arts and Commerce students). Students will procure the prescribed/ required text books related to their curriculum. Reimbursement will be made against the bill amount subject to the maximum amounts mentioned above.
- iii. On production of original receipts of purchase of books by the students to the principal, the principal will prepare a statement in a specified format and submit the same to the Director, Higher Education, Assam for necessary claims. The college will keep all the original vouchers/bills in safe custody for audit purposes. The proposal must be submitted to the Director, Higher education, Assam by the college authority latest by end of December, 2019.
- iv. The Director, Higher Education, Assam will move for necessary sanction to the Govt. for the claimed amount after preparing a consolidated statement and the said amount will be disbursed through DBT to the students with intimation to the authorities concerned.
- v. Duly verified Bank details of the beneficiaries (Name as per bank records, bank name, branch name and address, account no., nature of account and IFSC) have to be attached while submitting the proposal.

Public Notice

Subject: Schedule indicting opening, closing and verification of online applications in National Scholarship Portal under the "Central Sector Scheme of Scholarship for College and University Students" for fresh and renewals.

The 'Central Sector Scheme of Scholarship for College and University Students' implemented by the Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development has opened (on the National Scholarship Portal http://www.scholarships.gov.in/ for the Academic Year 2019-20 as per the following schedule:

1	Date of opening	15.07.2019
2	Closing date of receipt of applications	31.10.2019
3	Last date of verification of applications by the Institutions	15.11.2019
4	Last date of verification of applications by the State Education Board	30.11.2019

In light of the above, all students who had applied on National Scholarship Portal and received/yet to receive the scholarship for Fresh 2018, 1st renewal 2017, 2nd renewal 2016 and 3rd renewal 2015 and students who are in the Top 2^{0th} percentile list of the respective Boards and who wish to apply for Fresh 2019 scholarship are advised to apply on the National Scholarship Portal for fresh and respective renewal scholarship on or before the **last date i.e. 31.10.2019**.

Students applying for the scholarships are requested to go through the guidelines of the above Scheme uploaded on the National Scholarship Portal. For any query, the students are advised to contact the Nodal Officers of the respective State Education Boards.

[Visalakshi Jayaraman] Under Secretary to Govt. of India

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