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No. 11017/58/2016-SCD-I
Government of India
Department of Social Justice and Empowerment
Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment

Shastri Bhawan,
New Delhi, dated 15/10/17

To,

The Registrar/ Dean/ Principal
(All the notified Institutions)

Subject: Calling of fresh scholarship proposals for the year 2017-18 under the Central Sector Scholarship Scheme of "Top Class Education for SC Students"

Sir,

As you are aware that the Government of India has been implementing the Central Sector Scholarship Scheme of "Top Class Education for SC Students" since 2007. It aims at recognizing and promoting quality education amongst students belonging to SCs by providing full financial support. The scheme covers SC students for pursuing studies beyond 12th class. Under this Scheme, the students who get admission in the Institutions notified by this Ministry are eligible to get financial support as scholarship for covering four items namely:

(i) Full tuition fee and non refundable charges
(ii) Living expenses @Rs. 2,220/- per month
(iii) Book and stationery @ Rs. 3,000/- per annum and
(iv) A laptop computer with accessories like UPS, Printer, and Multimedia limited to Rs. 45,000/- required for pursuing their higher study (one time grant only).

2. It is requested to send the fresh proposals for scholarship for 2017-18 to Department of Social Justice and Empowerment through National Scholarship Portal (NSP) by 31.10.2017. It is to inform that candidates are to be selected for grant of Scholarship as per the slots available to the institute under the Scheme. The online applications for the shortlisted candidates must be forwarded by the institutes to this Department by 31st October, 2017. No application for the grant of Scholarship would be entertained without Aadhar and it should be seeded with the bank account of the beneficiaries.

3. As you are aware that (National Scholarship Portal) NSP 2.0 is open w.e.f. 1st June, 2017. However, this year only the fresh proposals of year 2017-18 would be submitted through the Portal. For rest of the renewal cases batch-wise proposals as done in the past years, signed and authenticated by the prescribed authority of the Institutions, may be furnished (in papers) to this Ministry in prescribed proforma in Annexure-B with necessary entries against the columns up to or before 31.10.2017.

4. Following documents should be accompanied with renewal proposal:
(i) Declaration by the Institute that Students are not getting any scholarship either from the State government or from the Ministry/Department of Government of India.

(ii) Separate break up of Annual fee/other non-refundable charges.

(iii) Proof whether the students are hostellers or day scholars.

(iv) Bank Authorisation Letter/ Bank Agency Details of the Institute. The Bank Authorisation letter of the Institute should be countersigned by the authorised signatory of the Bank along with official seal. The Bank account should not be in the name of the Director/Principal/Registrar/Accounts Officer etc. It should be in the name of the Institute only.

(v) Utilisation Certificates in the prescribed form GFR-19 (A) along with signature of the scholarship holders/beneficiaries towards the amount received by them. Proper entries such as name of the Institution/Sanction Letter No./Date of Sanction Letter/Amount of sanction may be made in the UC.

(vi) A copy of the result of last year/last term final examination with clear mention that he/she has passed the examination.

(vii) List of students who have been promoted to Higher Class and list of failed students.

5. It is further informed that as per Government of India notification No. 14016/03/2017-DBT dated 16th February, 2017 "An individual desirous of receiving Scholarship benefit under the Central Sector or Centrally Sponsored Scholarship Schemes is required to furnish proof of possession of Aadhar or undergo Aadhar authentication". A copy of the Notification is enclosed for further assistance. In view of this, it is requested that the fresh proposals of 2017-18 should mention Aadhar number of all the students, as per the guidelines given in the said notification.

6. A set of Instructions to be followed by the students and the Institutes are also enclosed. In case of any Queries, mail can be sent at the mail ID "dbtcell.msj@nic.in".

Yours faithfully

[Signature]

(Arvind Kumar)
Director-DBT
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Set of Instructions to be followed by the Students and the Institutes

For the Students:

1) Only fresh proposal for 2016-17 and renewal cases of those students whose proposal for 2015-16 was processed online through National scholarship Portal needs to be sent online. Rest of the renewal proposals will be entertained manually.

2) The Students has to obtain/enroll for the Aadhaar Number (if not obtained earlier).

3) Get the Aadhaar Number seeded with his/her respective bank account.

4) Students shortlisted by the Institute must register on the National Scholarship Portal and apply for the scholarship, filling details in the common application from on the portal and obtain ID No.

5) Submit the Case and Income certificates (issued by the competent authority) with the authorities of the Institute for verification.

6) The students can know the status of their applications by quoting their ID No. on the portal.

For the Institutes

1) Shortlist the eligible candidates for the scholarship as per the slots allotted, those names are to be forwarded by them online.

2) Institutes are required to physically examine the relevant documents on the basis of existing criteria of income, caste, marks etc.

3) The documents submitted by the students should be duly verified and uploaded on the Portal.

4) All the institutes should forward the applications of the students after verification at their level, applying/using valid digital signatures.

5) Those institutes which have yet to obtain the Digital Signature Certificates should purchase/obtain it timely from the private/government agencies.

6) The same login IDs and passwords will work for the institutes which were allotted to them in the last financial year.

7) The institutes are required to register their Login IDs and passwords on the National Scholarship Portal (if not registered last year) and for the registration of the Login IDs and passwords on the National Scholarship Portal(NSP) the User Manual would be uploaded on the NSP shortly. The URL of the NSP is http://scholarships/gov.in

8) Institutes should furnish copy of institutions fee along with break-up of tuition free and other Non-Refundable charges.

9) The institutes should furnish bills against all the charges including boarding and lodging, books and computer and accessories when furnishing the claims.
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CORRIGENDUM

New Delhi, the 21st February, 2017


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AINDRI ANURAG, Jr. Secy.
२. सामाजिक व्यवस्था और अधिकारिता मंत्रालय (जिसे इसके पदार्थ "संस्थाप" कहा जाएगा), भारत सरकार नीचे सूचीबद्ध केंद्रीय सेक्टर की तथा केंद्र सरकार द्वारा प्रायोजित छात्रवृत्ति योजनाओं का कर्त्तव्य रखता है, जिसके लिए भारत का संयुक्त निदेश से व्यक्त किया जाता है:

(i) कस्ता IX तथा X में अध्यावनत अनुमुखित पति (एससी) के छात्रों के मेडिकल छात्रवृत्ति;
(ii) सभाजन तथा स्वास्थ्य के लिए जोखिम भरे सार्वजनिक संसार में तय अवस्थितियों के बढ़ों को मेडिकल छात्रवृत्ति;
(iii) अनुमुखित पति (एससी) के छात्रों के लिए मेडिको-रेडियाल छात्रवृत्ति;
(iv) अनुमुखित पति (एससी) के छात्रों की योग्यता का उद्धार;
(v) अनुमुखित पति (एससी) के छात्रों के उद्धार वक्यपद हेतु राज्य के लेखाकार;
(vi) अनुमुखित पति (एससी) के छात्रों के लिए उद्धार वक्यपद योजना;
(vii) अनुमुखित पति (एससी) तथा अन्य निदेश कर्मचारी (वोल्यूमी) के छात्रों के लिए निरन्तर कोशियों योजना;
(viii) अन्य निदेश कर्मचारी (वोल्यूमी) के छात्रों के लिए मेडिकल छात्रवृत्ति योजना;
(ix) अन्य निदेश कर्मचारी (वोल्यूमी) के छात्रों के लिए मेडिको-रेडियाल छात्रवृत्ति योजना;

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3. अन्य विधेयक के अधीन (दर्जन नामक विभाग) के कारण, लम्बे समय जल्दी समाप्त करने के लिए राज्य सरकार के संबंध में अन्य विदेशी मांगों के संबंध में।
MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT  
(Department of Social Justice and Empowerment)  
NOTIFICATION  
New Delhi, the 16th February, 2017

S.O. 471(E).—The use of Aadhaar as identifier for delivery of services or benefits or subsidies simplifies the delivery processes, brings in transparency and efficiency, and enables beneficiaries to get their entitlements directly in a convenient and seamless manner. Aadhaar obviates the need for producing multiple documents to prove one’s Identity. The provisions of the Aadhaar Act have come into effect from 12th September, 2016 and notification to this effect has been published in the official Gazette.

2. Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (hereinafter referred to as Ministry), Government of India implements the Central Sector and Centrally Sponsored Scholarship Schemes listed below which involve expenditure incurred from the Consolidated Fund of India:

(i) Pre-matric Scholarship Scheme for Scheduled Caste (SC) Students Studying in Class IX and X;
(ii) Pre-Matric Scholarships to the Children of those engaged in occupations involving cleaning and prone to health hazards;
(iii) Post-Matric Scholarship for Scheduled Caste (SC) Students;
(iv) Up-gradation of Merit of Scheduled Caste (SC) Students;
(v) National Fellowship for Higher Education for Scheduled Caste (SC) Students;
(vi) Top Class Education Scheme for Scheduled Caste (SC) Students;
(vii) Free Coaching Scheme for Scheduled Caste (SC) and Other Backward Classes (OBC) Students;
(viii) Scheme of Pre-Matric Scholarship for Other Backward Classes (OBC) Students;
(ix) Scheme of Post-Matric Scholarship for Other Backward Classes (OBC) Students;
(x) National Fellowship for Other Backward Classes (OBC) Students;
(xi) Dr. Ambedkar Pre-Matric and Post-Matric Scholarship for De-notified, Nomadic and Semi-Nomadic Tribes (DNT) Students;

(xii) Dr. Ambedkar Post-Matric Scholarship Scheme for Economically Backward Classes (EBC) Students;

3. Now, therefore, in pursuance of the provisions of section 7 of the Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016 (18 of 2016) (hereinafter referred to as the said Act), the Ministry hereby notifies the following, namely:

(1) An Individual desirous of receiving Scholarship benefit under the Central Sector or Centrally Sponsored Scholarship Schemes as listed above is hereby required to furnish proof of possession of Aadhaar or undergo Aadhaar authentication.

(2) An individual desirous of receiving Scholarship benefit under the Central Sector or Centrally Sponsored Scholarship Schemes as listed above and not yet enrolled for Aadhaar is hereby required to make an application for Aadhaar enrolment by 31st March, 2017, in case he is entitled to obtain Aadhaar as per the provisions of section 3 of Aadhaar Act and such individuals may visit any Aadhaar enrolment center (list available at www.uidai.gov.in) to get enrolled for Aadhaar.

(3) As per regulation 12 of the Aadhaar (Enrolment and Update) Regulations, 2016, for Centrally Sponsored Schemes the State Government or Union Territory Administration through its implementing Departments and its Pre-Matric or Higher education institutions is required to offer enrolment facilities for the beneficiaries who are not yet enrolled for Aadhaar and in case of absence of any Aadhaar enrolment center in the vicinity, the State Government or Union Territory Administration may provide enrolment facilities at convenient locations in coordination with the existing Registrars of Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) or may provide Aadhaar enrolment facilities by becoming Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) Registrar and engaging Pre-Matric or Higher education institutions as enrolment agencies.

For Central Sector Schemes, the Ministry through its implementing agencies is required to offer enrolment facilities for the beneficiaries who are not yet enrolled for Aadhaar and in case of absence of any Aadhaar enrolment center in the vicinity, the Ministry through its implementing agencies may provide enrolment facilities at convenient locations in coordination with the existing Registrars of Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) and engage Pre-Matric or Higher education institutions as enrolment agencies.

Provided that till the time Aadhaar is assigned to the individual, Scholarship benefit under the Schemes listed above shall be given to such individual subject to the production of the following documents, namely:

(a) (i) Bank Passbook of applicant in his or her name or jointly held with his or her parent or guardian, and which contains the photograph of the applicant;

(ii) if he has enrolled, his Aadhaar Enrolment ID slip; or

(iii) a copy of his request made for Aadhaar enrolment, as specified in sub-paragraph (2) of paragraph 4, and

(b) Identity proofs as under—

(i) Voter identity card issued by the Election Commission of India; or

(ii) Permanent Account Number (PAN) Card issued by the Income Tax Department; or

(iii) Passport; or

(iv) Driving licence issued by the Licensing Authority under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 (59 of 1988); or

(v) Certificate of identity having photo of such member issued by a Gazetted Officer or a Tehsildar on an official letter head; or

(vi) Any other document specified by the State Government:

Provided further that the above documents shall be checked by an officer specifically designated by the State Government or Union Territory Administration for that purpose.

4. In order to provide convenient and seamless Scholarship benefit under the Schemes listed above to beneficiaries, the Ministry through its implementing agencies or the State Government or Union Territory Administration through their implementing Departments shall make all the required arrangements including the following, namely:

1) Wide publicity through media and individual notices through Pre-Matric or Higher education institutions shall be given to applicants or beneficiaries to make them aware of the requirement of Aadhaar to receive Scholarship benefit under the schemes listed above and they may be advised to get themselves enrolled at the nearest enrolment center available in their areas by 31st March, 2017, in case they are not already enrolled. The list of locally available enrolment centres shall be made available to them.
2) In case, the beneficiaries are not able to enroll due to non-availability of enrolment centres within five to seven km from Pre-Matric or Higher education institutions or from where they reside, the Ministry through its implementing agencies or State Government and Union Territory Administration through their implementing Departments is required to create enrolment facilities at convenient locations and the applicants or beneficiaries may be requested to register their request for enrolment by giving their names with other details, such as, identity card issued by the institute where he is studying, address, mobile number on their respective web portal and such requests may also be registered with the Pre-Matric or Higher education institutions.

5. This notification shall come into effect from the date of its publication in all the States and Union Territories except the States of Assam, Meghalaya and Jammu and Kashmir.

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