

Government of India
Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment
Department of Social Justice and Empowerment

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
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To,
Additional Chief Secretary/
Principal Secretary/ Secretary/
Additional Secretary/ Incharges
Social Welfare Department/SC/OBC Welfare Department
All States/UTs as per List

Subject: -Revision of Existing Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme for SC students - regd.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to inform that the existing Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme for SC students is under revision (with an additional component of Pre Matric Scholarship scheme to the children belonging to unclean and hazardous occupation being merged with the said scheme from the year 2021-22) and shall be finalized soon. The major changes proposed in the revised scheme are listed below for your perusal and further necessary action:

- a. The funding pattern under the proposed scheme is based on fixed sharing pattern of 60:40 (90:10 in case of NE states, Uttarakhand and Himachal Pradesh) wherein, the central assistance shall be released directly into the account of beneficiaries only after ensuring that the concerned State Government has released their share;
 - b. The total number of scholarships per year under the scheme shall be pegged at the highest of the past 3 years for which database is available. The sharing of funds between Centre and State would be of the total demand of the State for the eligible students under the Scheme for that particular year;
 - c. The Central share would be paid directly to the account of beneficiary/guardian through DBT w.e.f 2021-22;
 - d. The consolidated scholarship has been revised from monthly component of Rs. 225 to annual component of Rs. 3000 per annum which shall include all the allowance eligible to be provided under the scheme for day scholars and Rs 7000 per annum for Hostellers. In addition, a 10% extra allowance shall be given to Divyang (Disable) students.
2. In this context, the provisional Annual Action Plan prepared under the scheme is attached as enclosure for your ready reference and necessary action.

Encl: as above

Yours faithfully

Digitally Signed by Govind
Mishra

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