No.20015/8/2012-Education
Government of India
Ministry of Tribal Affairs
[Education Section]

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi – 110001
Dated the 17th March, 2017

To

The Pay & Accounts Officer,
Ministry of Tribal Affairs,
Shastri Bhawan,
New Delhi.

Subject: Release of grant-in-aid to the State Government of Chhattisgarh under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Pre-Matric Scholarship to ST Students for the year 2016-17.

Sir,

Sanction of the President of India is hereby conveyed to release an amount of ₹21,35,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty One Crore Thirty Five Lakh Only) to the State Government of Chhattisgarh as grant-in-aid under the Scheme of Post-Matric Scholarship to the students belonging to STs during the year 2016-17.

2. This sanction relates to Plan Expenditure and is in accordance with the pattern of assistance prescribed by the Planning Commission and subject to the provision of General Financial Rules, 2005 as amended from time to time and any other instructions issued in this regard.

3. The expenditure is debitable to the Major Head Grant, sub-head as indicated below and shall be met from Plan Budget for the year 2016-17:

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<td>No. 89</td>
<td>Major Head: 3601-Grants-in-aid to State Governments (Major Head), 02-Grants for State Plan Schemes (Sub-Major Head), 796-Tribal Areas Sub-Plan, 65 – Umbrella Scheme for Development of STs: Tribal Education, 01-Umbrella Scheme for Education of ST Children, 65.01.31-Grants-in-aid General (Voted) for the year 2016-17.</td>
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4. It is requested that arrangements may kindly be made to credit this amount to the State Governments in accordance with the procedure laid down in the Ministry of Finance OM No. 2(45)76-Spl.Cell dated 30-8-1976 and as modified vide OM of even number dated 16-09-1976 under intimation to this Ministry.

5. The grants-in-aid are subject to following further conditions to be compiled with by the State Government: -

(i) The State Government will ensure that the disbursement is made to the eligible students through direct bank or post officer transfers.

(ii) In case, there is any difficulty in opening banks accounts due to reluctance of the banks, the district officer should report the matter to the concerned District Collectors who would intervene and instruct the Banks to open bank accounts in the names of the eligible Scheduled Tribe students for this purpose. The State Government's Finance Department or department dealing with institutional finance should also render necessary assistance in this regard.

(iii) The digitised details of the students category-wise, out station-wise etc. have to be furnished to this Ministry.

(iv) Further, the States should create enabling environment for DBT mode transfer in all Districts for which following steps needs to be taken:
   a. State/UT should coordinate with State/district level NIC and organize training for State/district level functionaries in software and digitization of beneficiary database.
   b. Efforts should be made for seeding Aadhaar with beneficiary database. For this, adequate technology support is needed which may be sought from State/District NIC unit.
   c. Wherever beneficiaries do not have Aadhaar number, they may be enrolled for Aadhaar by the UIDAI Registrar.
   d. Wherever beneficiaries have bank accounts, efforts should be made to link with Aadhaar number.
   e. Wherever beneficiaries do not have bank accounts they will have to be opened, for which Aadhaar may be used as KYC, by the Lead Bank/Branch. The new bank account will then be seeded with Aadhaar.
   f. An awareness campaign to be initiated to inform the beneficiaries of the programmed and to encourage enrollment in Aadhaar and opening bank account.
   g. Robust but easy to access grievance redressal systems to be put in place to mitigate unforeseen hardships, system failures etc, and to ensure there is no denial of service to beneficiaries without Aadhaar or bank accounts.

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6. You are requested to advise RBI, CAS, Nagpur for crediting the above mentioned amount to the account of the Government of Chhattisgarh in accordance with procedure laid down in the Ministry of Finance's OM No. 2(45)/76-Spl Cell dated 30.8.1976 as modified by OM of even number dated 15.9.1976.

7. Diversion of funds and deviation from the norms of the scheme shall not be allowed.

8. The conditions of eligibility, including inter-alia the condition of maximum prescribed income ceiling of parents must be followed.

9. The State Government may please acknowledge the receipt of this letter and report the expenditure incurred every Quarter.

10. No UC is due for rendition.

11. The grantee organization shall voluntarily disclose the assets created, facilities developed and activity undertaken through this grant before the Gram Sabha concerned and also submit and undertaking /certificate in this regard to this Ministry.

12. State Government / UT Administration are requested that before submitting completed proposal in all respect for the next installment of scholarships, utilization of funds of the previous years have to be furnished to the Ministry without fail.

13. Certified that this sanction has been noted at Sl. No. ... in the register of Grants-in-aid.

14. This sanction is being issued with the concurrence of Integrated Finance of this Ministry vide their Dy. No.3746/JS&FA/17 dated 25/02/2017.

Yours faithfully,

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3. The Spl. Secretary, Department of Welfare for ST, Government of Chhattisgarh, Raipur.
4. Secretary, Education Department, Government of Chhattisgarh, Raipur.
5. Director, Tribal Welfare Department, Government of Chhattisgarh, Raipur.
6. The Secretary, Finance Department, Government of Chhattisgarh, Raipur.
7. The Secretary, Planning Department, Government of Chhattisgarh, Raipur.
8. The Secretary, National Commission for STs, Lok Nayak Bhawan, N.Delhi.
9. Director of Audit, Central Revenues, I.P. Estate, New Delhi.
11. The Director for Tribal and SC Development Department, Government of Chhattisgarh, Raipur.
12. Resident Commissioner, Government of Chhattisgarh, Chanakya Bhawan, New Delhi.
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