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SECRETARY (CIVIL SUPPLIES)
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Dear Shri Vaidya,

As you are aware, presently there is a Centrally Sponsored Scholarship Scheme for Scheduled Tribes (STs) students at the Post Matric Level (i.e. class XI onwards), but there is no corresponding scholarship scheme for the Pre-Matric students.

2. The Government has approved introducing of Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme for students belonging to Scheduled Tribes studying in Classes IX & X, with effect from 01.07.2012.

3. The objective of the scheme is to support parents of ST students for education of their wards studying in Classes IX and X so that the incidence of dropout, especially in transition from the elementary to secondary and during secondary stage of education, is minimized. A copy of the guidelines of the scheme is given at Annexure-I. Major features of the scheme are as follows:-

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- (a) Scheduled Tribe students enrolled full time in secondary education in Government schools or in a school recognised by Government or a Central / State Board of Secondary Education, whose parents' annual income does not exceed Rs. 2.00 lakh, will be eligible for the scholarship, provided he/she is not getting any other Centrally funded Pre-Matric Scholarship.
- (b) Central Assistance under the Scheme would include scholarship and other grants as per details below:-

(Amount in Rupees)

Items	Day Scholars	Hostellers
Scholarship (Rs. per annum) for 10 month	150	350
Books and Ad hoc Grant (Rs. per annum)	750	1000

Additional allowance for students with disabilities studying in private un-aided recognized schools.

- (c) The Scheme of Pre-Matric Scholarship for ST students is to be implemented through State Governments and UT Administrations which will receive 100% Central assistance from Government of India for expenditure under the Scheme, over and above their Committed Liability. The level of Committed Liability of a State Government/ Union Territory Administration for a year will be equivalent of the previous Five Year Plan Period and will be required to be borne by them by making provision in their own budget.

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GUIDELINES

CENTRALLY SPONSORED SCHEME OF PRE-MATRIC SCHOLARSHIP FOR
NEEDY SCHEDULED TRIBE STUDENTS STUDYING IN CLASSES IX & X

(EFFECTIVE FROM 01-07-2012)

1. BACKGROUND

Article 46 of Part IV ("Directive Principles of State Policy") of the Constitution enjoins upon the State to promote with special care the educational and economic interests of the weaker sections of the people, in particular, of the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes. Article 38(2) of the same Part also enjoins upon the State to minimize inequities in income and to endeavor to eliminate inequalities in status, facilities and opportunities, not only amongst individuals but also amongst groups of people residing in different areas or engaged in different vocations.

2. OBJECTIVES

Objectives of the scheme are:

- (a) To support parents of ST children for education of their wards studying in classes IX and X so that the incidence of drop-out, especially in the transition from the elementary to the secondary stage is minimized, and
- (b) To improve participation of ST children in classes IX and X of the pre-matric stage, so that they perform better and have a better chance of progressing to the post-matric stage of education.

3. SCOPE

Scholarship under the Scheme will be available for studies in India only and will be awarded by the Government of the State/Union Territory to which the applicant belongs i.e. where she/he is domiciled.

4. CONDITIONS OF ELIGIBILITY

- (i) Student should belong to Scheduled Tribe
- (ii) Her/his Parents'/Guardian's income should not exceed Rs. 2.00 lakh per annum

Item	Day Scholars	Hostellers
Scholarship for 10 months (Rs. per month)	150	350
Books and Ad hoc Grant (Rs. per annum)	750	1000

(iii) Additional Allowances for ST students with disabilities studying in private unaided Schools

Under the Centrally-sponsored Scheme of 'Inclusive Education of the Disabled at Secondary Stage' (IEDSS) implemented by the M/o HRD, assistance @Rs.3000/- p.a. is already being given under its "Student Oriented Component" to students with disabilities studying at the Secondary stage in Govt., local body and Govt. aided schools. However, students in un-aided schools are not covered under IEDSS. Therefore, ST students with disabilities, studying in classes IX & X in private un-aided recognized schools, will be eligible for allowances under this Scheme, as follows:

Allowances for students with disabilities studying in Private un-aided Schools	Amount (in Rs.)
(i) Monthly Reader Allowance for Blind students	160
(ii) Monthly Transport Allowance for students with disabilities (as defined in the Persons with Disabilities Act 1995), if such students do not reside in the hostel which is within the premises of the Educational Institution.	160
(iii) Monthly Escort Allowance for Severely Disabled (i.e. with 80% or higher disability) Day Scholars/Students with low extremity disability	160
(iv) Monthly Helper Allowance admissible to any employee of the hostel willing to extend help to a severely orthopedically handicapped student residing in the hostel of an Educational Institution who may need the assistance of a helper.	160
(v) Monthly Coaching Allowance to Mentally Retarded and Mentally ill Students	240

Note: The disability as defined under the Persons with disabilities (equal opportunities, Protection of rights and full participation Act, 1995) Act has to be certified by competent medical authority of the State Govt./UT Administration.

(ii) A student is liable to refund the scholarship amount at the discretion of the State Government/UT Administration if during the course of the year the studies for which the scholarship has been awarded, is discontinued by him/her.

11. PUBLICITY OF THE SCHEME & INVITING APPLICATIONS

11.1 The Scheme will be implemented through State Governments/UT Administrations. All the State Governments/UT Administrations will, at the appropriate time, suitably publicise the Scheme and invite applications by issuing an advertisement in local language, in the leading newspapers of the State and through their respective websites and other media outfits. The applicant should submit the completed application to the prescribed authority, as mentioned below before the last date prescribed for receipt of applications.

11.2 State Govt. would prescribe a suitable application form in the local language and place it on its websites. School authorities will get these forms filled by the eligible students and send them to Block / District level authorities. State Governments/UT Administrations will delegate powers to sanction scholarships under the scheme to appropriate District / Block level authorities/ Heads of Institution, as appropriate.

12. APPLICATION PROCEDURE

(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) A certificate (in original) of Scheduled Tribe duly signed by an authorized Revenue Officer not below the rank of Tehsildar.

(d) An income declaration by the self-employed parents/guardians, stating definite income from all sources by way of an affidavit on non-judicial 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.

(e) 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/School 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/School being attended or last attended by the candidates and then be forwarded to the Head of Institution after scrutiny and with the necessary documents to the concerned authority.

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Government of India
Ministry of Tribal Affairs
(Scholarship Division)

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated: 20th December, 2019

To,
The Principal Secretary/Secretaries,
Tribal Development Department,
All States/UTs (as per list attached)

Subject: Increase in the scholarship amount under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Pre-Matric Scholarship for Scheduled Tribe students w.e.f the academic session 2019-20 (to be effective from 01.12.19).

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to the above mentioned subject and to say that, it has been decided, with the approval of the Competent Authority, to revise the amount of scholarship under the scheme for Pre-Matric Scholarship to ST Students from Rs.150/- to Rs.225/- p.m. for day scholars and from Rs.350/- to Rs.525/- p.m. for Hostellers w.e.f the academic session 2019-20 (to be effective from 01.12.19).

Yours faithfully,

(Rajender Kumar)

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