No.20014/18/2012-Education
Government of India
Ministry of Tribal Affairs
[Education Section]

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
Dated the 29th March, 2014

To

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

Sub: Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Post-Matric Scholarship to ST students - Release of Central Assistance to **State Government of Meghalaya towards 2nd & final** instalment of projected expenditure for the year 2013-14.

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Sir,

I am directed to refer to the **State Government of Meghalaya, Education Department's letters No. EDN.175/2010/Pt/62 dated 26/08/2013 and letters No. EDN.175/2010/468 dated 12/02/2014** on the above subject and to state that this Ministry has already released an amount of **Rs.438.00 lakh** as ad-hoc grant to the State Government vide sanction order No.2001402/2012-Education dated 12th September, 2013 during the year 2013-14.

2. Sanction of the President of India is hereby conveyed to release an amount of **Rs.30,00,00,000/- (Rs. Thirty crore only)** to the **State Govt. of Meghalaya as 2nd** instalment under the Scheme of PMS for STs during the year 2013-14. The details of expenditure are given in the annexure to this sanction.

3. 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.

(9455 The expenditure is debitable to the Major Head Grant sub-head as indicated below and shall be met from Plan Budget for the year 2013-14:-

Demand No.	Major Head, Sub Head	Amount in Rs.
No. 95 Ministry of Tribal Affairs	Major Head: 3601-Grants-in-aid to State Government, 04-Grants for Centrally Sponsored Plan Schemes (Sub-Major Head), 796-Tribal Area Sub Plan (Minor Head), 27-Welfare of Scheduled Tribes –Education, 03-Scheme of PMS, Book Bank and Upgradation of Merit, 27.03.31-Grants-in-aid General **(Voted)** (Plan) under the Demand No. 95, Ministry of Tribal Affairs for the current financial year 2013-14.	**Rs.30,00,00,000/- (Rs. Thirty crore only)**

5. It is requested that arrangements may kindly be made to credit this amount to the State Government 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.

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

(9455 Once an eligible Scheduled Tribe (ST) student joins a college/institution, his/her name should be immediately entered in a register along with a photograph by the college/institution authorities.

(ii) A photocopy of this register should also be made available to the District Tribal Welfare Officer who is responsible for disbursement of the scholarships.

(iii) The Ministry of Tribal Affairs has decided to release 50% of the amount disbursed in the previous year under the Post Matric Scholarship Scheme as first instalment (on-account basis) in the first quarter of the financial year itself.

(iv) **The State Government will release this amount to the disbursing agencies in the State within one month of release by the Government of India and a copy of the State Govt. sanction should be endorsed to Ministry of Tribal Affairs without fail.**

(v) In order to distribute funds to everyone in a week fixed for every year, two "Scholarship distribution camps" should be organized in your State every year at predetermined time. These camps should simultaneously be organized in the entire State at a fixed date and time every year. **The District Tribal Welfare Officer or any other Officer with a different designation, who is in-charge of disbursement of scholarship, will ensure that the scholarships are disbursed by the schools/colleges/institutions in the first camp between 7-15 September as first instalment for five months.**

(vi) The disbursement should be done in the presence of a responsible faculty member (s) of the institution/college so nominated by the Principal and officer at the district level of the State nominated by the District Collector.

(vii) Such district officers should certify in the register maintained by the Colleges/Institutions that the "entire disbursement process has taken place under the personal supervision to the genuine and eligible Scheduled Tribe Students only".

(viii) The district officers should also compile the actual disbursements made in the previous year and submit the detailed proposal to the State Government who will complete it further and submit the proposal to the Ministry of Tribal Affairs by November of the financial year. The institution and category-wise number of studies in each category should be indicated in a proforma. The district-wise and State-wise total may accordingly be arrived at and proposal of the state government may be based on the same. The Ministry of Tribal Affairs will thereafter disburse the second instalment by December of the year.

(ix) The Second instalment to the students may be disbursed at the earliest on the same pattern as the disbursement of the first instalment and submit a report to the State Government that the scholarships to the genuine and eligible students have been disbursed in their presence indicating category wise distribution of the scholarships as per the format.

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(x) The State Government will also ensure that the disbursement is made to the eligible students through account payee cheques drawn on banks or post offices. 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 prevail upon the bank branches 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.

(xi) The events of disbursement of the scholarships in two instalments as specified above should be given wide publicity throughout the State through local newspapers so that every one concerned is aware of these events and avails of it in time. The basic idea behind two annual camps at fixed timing is that students, staff, teachers & every one concerned gradually becomes used to these dates and disbursement by different States at different times in different years is avoided.

(xii) Any unspent amount shall not be carried forward for expenditure and it should be surrendered to the Central Government as per instructions contained in the Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance O.M. No. G-26305/1/77-MFCGA dated 4th June 1977.

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. As 2nd & final instalment for the year 2013-14 is being released now, disbursement of this instalment of scholarship should be done at the earliest and the Utilization Certificate shall be submitted to this Ministry immediately after the disbursement of scholarship.

(9455 This sanction is being issued with the concurrence of Integrated Finance of this Ministry vide their Dy. No.747/JS&FA/14 dated 29/03/2014.

Yours faithfully,

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3. Director, Tribal Affairs Department, Govt. of Meghalaya, Shillong.
4. The Secretary, Finance Department, Govt. of Meghalaya, Shillong.
5. The Secretary, Planning Department, Govt. of Meghalaya, Shillong.
6. The Secretary, National Commission for STs , Lok Nayak Bhawan, N.Delhi.
7. Director of Audit, Central Revenues, I.P. Estate, New Delhi.
8. Planning Commission, BC Division, New Delhi.
9. Resident Commissioner, Government of Meghalaya, Meghalaya Bhawan, New Delhi.
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Annexure

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Details of the Grants-in-aid released to the State Government of Meghalaya under the Post Matric Scholarship for ST students

Actual Expenditure for Year 2012-13 for PMS only (Table I)

(Rs. In lakh)

Sl. No	Category	PMS	Referencing
1.	Actual Expenditure incurred as Central Share during the year 2012-13(for PMS only)	2360.1814	"A" at p/69/cor. [for 77569 students "A" at p/74/cor.]
2.	Committed Liability	0	
3	Actual Expenditure incurred during 2012-13(for PMS only)	2360.1814	
4.	Central Share released Rs. 1753.42 plus unspent amount of Rs. 606.76 for the year 2011-12 to the State Government during 2012-13 for PMS ('A 'at p/38/cor.)	2360.1814	UC for Rs. 1753.42 lakh is available at p/63-66/cor.

Anticipated Expenditure for Year 2013-14 (Table II)

(Rs. In lakh)

Sl. No	Category	PMS	Referencing
1.	Anticipated Expenditure for the year 2013-14 (for PMS only)	9893.635	"B" at p/69/cor. [for 84784 students "B" at p/74/cor.]
2.	Committed Liability	0	
3.	Admissible Central Share for 2012-13	9893.635	(1 minus 2)
4.	Ad-hoc Central Share released for the year 2013-14 on 12.09.2013	438.00	"A" at P/106/cor.
5.	Admissible Central Share for the year 2013-14	9455.635	
6.	Central share to be released to the State Govt. during 2013-14.	3000.000	(Since enough funds are not available the release of amount is restricted to Rs. 30.00 crore)

(Rs.Thirty crore only)

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