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Government of India  
Ministry of Minority Affairs**

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Dated 28/02/2013**

To

Chief Secretary/Administrator  
State Government/UT Administration of \_\_\_\_\_

**Subject: Publishing advertisement by States/UTs to implement Merit-cum Means based Scholarship Scheme for the year 2013-14.**

Sir,

I am directed to say that the Merit-cum means based Scholarship Scheme is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme launched in the year 2007. From 2012-13, 60,000 fresh scholarships are proposed to be awarded every year in addition to the renewals to students among the notified minority communities for pursuing professional and technical courses, at under-graduate and post-graduate levels, in institutions recognized by the appropriate authority.

2. Under Merit-cum Means based Scholarship Scheme, there is no financial target. However, physical target in respect of 60,000 Fresh Scholarships every year has been fixed in accordance with State-wise population of minority communities. The State/UT-wise breakup of 60,000 Fresh Scholarships has been uploaded on the website of this Ministry. A copy of the same is also enclosed for ready reference.

3. States/UTs are already aware of the fact that Online Scholarship Management System (OSMS) has been introduced from the year 2011-12. The site can be accessed through the URL [www.momascholarship.gov.in](http://www.momascholarship.gov.in). A link to the site is also made available in the website of Ministry i.e. [www.minorityaffairs.gov.in](http://www.minorityaffairs.gov.in).

4. Attention is drawn to para-vii of terms and conditions which states, "The State Department will advertise the Scheme every year latest by 31<sup>st</sup> March and receive the application through the concerned Institutions."

5. The State Government/UT Administration is accordingly requested to publish advertisement inviting applications for the year 2013-14 by 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2013 and adhere to the following time line with regard to various activities related to submission of proposals to this Ministry:-

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**Fresh scholarship**

Sl.No.	Activities	Date
1.	Advertisement for Merit-cum means based scholarship scheme for the year 2012-13.	31 <sup>st</sup> March, 2013
2.	Last date for submission of Online applications for fresh scholarship by students.	30 <sup>th</sup> September, 2013
3.	Last date for submission of duly signed printed version of online applications by students to State Department through respective institutes.	10 <sup>th</sup> October, 2013
4.	Last date for scrutiny of online applications by institutes.	20 <sup>th</sup> October, 2013
5.	Last date for scrutiny of online applications by State Department.	31 <sup>st</sup> October, 2013
6.	Generation of merit list and submission of fresh proposals by State Department.	1 <sup>st</sup> November to 15 <sup>th</sup> November

**Renewal scholarship**

Sl.No.	Activities	Date
1.	Last date for submission of Online applications for renewal scholarship by students.	31 <sup>st</sup> December, 2013
2.	Last date for submission of duly signed printed version of online renewal application by students to State Department through respective institutes.	10 <sup>th</sup> January, 2014
3.	Last date for scrutiny of online applications by institutes.	15 <sup>th</sup> January, 2014
4.	Scrutiny of online applications by State Department.	16 <sup>th</sup> January to 20 <sup>th</sup> January, 2014
5.	Submission of renewal proposals by State Department.	20 <sup>th</sup> January to 5 <sup>th</sup> February, 2014

6. In order to provide flexibility in the activity timeline under Merit-cum Means based Scholarship Scheme, according to the academic year of the particular States/UTs, it is requested that alternate timeline for Fresh and Renewal applications under Merit-cum Means based Scholarship Scheme for your State/UT may be indicated latest by 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2013. If no alternative timeline is received by 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2013, it will be presumed that the States/UTs are in agreement with timelines proposed by this Ministry. In no case the last date be later the 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2013 for Fresh Scholarships and 5<sup>th</sup> February, 2014 for Renewal Scholarship. Therefore, States/UT can have maneuverability in Sl.No.1 to 5 of timeline for fresh and Sl.no. 1 to 4 of timeline for Renewal.

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7. With regard to the renewal proposals, the States/UTs can submit proposals in small batches of atleast 10 to 15 applications, as and when scrutiny is complete in all respect as no merit list is required to be generated in case of renewals. This will facilitate the Ministry to incur the desired expenditure and in meeting 2/3<sup>rd</sup> expenditure by December of Financial Year 2013-14.

8. The State Government/UT Administration is also requested to bring to notice the Online System and provide detail information to students in the advertisement. In the advertisement, the State/UT Department may also invite attention of the students to the Frequently Asked Question (FAQs) available on the homepage of the website for filling up of online application. The timeline of activities desirable for students may also be advertised after due approval of Government of India. Applicants may also be advised to take print-out of the duly filled-in application forms, through OSMS, and submit the same alongwith all supporting documents through their respective institutes to the State/UT Department. **It may be highlighted that without receipt of hard copy in the State/UT Department, the application is liable to be rejected. Aadhaar number is mandatory this time.**

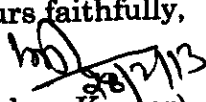
9. The State/UT should fulfill all terms and conditions contained in the Scheme at the time of submitting the proposals. It may also be ensured that proposals are submitted alongwith utilization certificate in GFR-19 A.

10. The State Governments/UT Administrations are also advised to indicate to this Ministry, the status of disbursement of scholarships released in the year 2012-13. The State Governments/UT Administrations must upload on their respective websites, the detailed list of students who have been given scholarship in the previous year so that the same could be hyperlinked with the website of this Ministry. Failure to place the list of beneficiaries for the year 2012-13 may result in non-consideration of proposals in the Financial Year 2013-14.

11. This issues with approval of Secretary, Ministry of Minority Affairs, Government of India

**Encl: As above**

Yours faithfully,

  
(Pradeep Kumar)

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**Copy to :-**

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Dealing with Minority Welfare Deptt.,  
State Government/UT Administration of \_\_\_\_\_
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Dealing with minority welfare Deptt.

**State-wise distribution of Merit-cum Means based Scholarship Scheme among the students belonging to Minority Communities for the year 2013-14**

S.No.	States/Uts	No. of Scholarship for Muslim	No. of Scholarship for Christian	No. of Scholarship for Sikh	No. of Scholarship for Buddhist	No. of Scholarship for Parsi	No. of Scholarship for all Minority Communities
1	Andhra Pradesh	2211	372	9	9	0	2601
2	Arunachal Pradesh	6	63	0	45	0	114
3	Assam	2610	312	6	15	0	2943
4	Bihar	4344	18	6	6	0	4374
5	Chhattisgarh	129	126	21	21	0	297
6	Goa	30	114	0	0	3	147
7	Gujarat	1455	90	15	6	3	1569
8	Haryana	387	9	372	3	0	771
9	Himachal Pradesh	39	3	24	24	0	90
10	Jammu & Kashmir	2151	6	66	36	0	2259
11	Jharkhand	1182	345	27	3	0	1557
12	Karnataka	2046	318	6	126	0	2496
13	Kerala	2490	1917	0	0	0	4407
14	Madhya Pradesh	1218	54	48	66	0	1386
15	Maharashtra	3252	336	69	1851	12	5520
16	Manipur	60	234	0	0	0	294
17	Meghalaya	30	516	0	0	0	546
18	Mizoram	3	246	0	24	0	273
19	Nagaland	12	567	0	0	0	579
20	Orissa	243	285	6	3	0	537
21	Punjab	120	93	4620	12	0	4845
22	Rajasthan	1515	24	261	3	0	1803
23	Sikkim	3	12	0	48	0	63
24	Tamil Nadu	1098	1197	3	3	0	2301
25	Tripura	81	33	0	30	0	144
26	Uttar Pradesh	9735	66	216	96	0	10113
27	Uttarakhand	321	9	66	3	0	399
28	West Bengal	6408	162	21	78	0	6669
29	Andaman & Nicobar	9	24	0	0	0	33
30	Chandigarh	12	3	45	0	0	60
31	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	3	3	0	0	0	6
32	Daman & Diu	3	0	0	0	3	6
33	Delhi	513	42	177	9	0	741
34	Lakshadweep	18	0	0	0	0	18
35	Puducherry	18	21	0	0	0	39
<b>Total</b>		<b>43756</b>	<b>7620</b>	<b>6084</b>	<b>2820</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>60000</b>

  
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