No. 11016/01/2018-BC-I(pt-III)
Government of India
Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment
(Department of Social Justice & Empowerment)

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001
8th January, 2018

To
The Pay & Accounts Officer,
Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment,
Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi.

Subject: Release of Central Assistance to State Government of Himachal Pradesh under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Dr. Ambedkar Post Matric Scholarship for Economically Backward Class Students for the year 2018-19.

Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of President for release of Rs. 2, 00, 00, 000/- (Rupees Two Crore only) as Central Assistance to State Government of Himachal Pradesh under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Dr. Ambedkar Post Matric Scholarship for Economically Backward Class (EBCs) Students for the year 2018-19.

2. The expenditure is debitable to the Major Head/Grant Sub-Head etc. as indicated below:

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<td>No.89-Department of Social Justice and Empowerment 2018-19</td>
<td>Grants in aid to State Govt. (Major Head) 06.101 - Central Assistance/Share (Minor Head) 40.04 - Dr. Ambedkar Scheme of post-Matric Scholarship for EBC Students. 40.04.31- Grants in-aid (General)</td>
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3. The Payee has no Utilization Certificate as due for rendition under the Rules under this Scheme of Ministry.

4. It is requested that necessary arrangement may kindly be made to credit the above amount to the State named above in accordance with the procedure laid down in the Ministry of Finance’s O.M No. 2(45)/76-Spl. Cell dated 30.08.1976 and as modified vide O.M of even number dated 16.9.1976, under intimation to this Ministry.

5. Central Assistance being released is adjustable against the final due Central Assistance for the Current Financial Year. The release of fund is subject to the following conditions:

   (i) Furnishing of Audited Statement of Accounts and the Utilization Certificate as per the GFR 12C in respect of the Grant-in-Aid released during 2018-19, duly signed by authorized signatory and counter signed by Administrative Secretary of the State Government.
(ii) Furnishing the details of District-wise number of beneficiaries, class-wise, gender-wise (boys and girls) and institution-wise covered under the scheme for the last year as well as during the year 2018-19 separately.

6. In the event of failure on the part of the State Government to utilize the Grant-in-Aid for the purpose for which it has been sanctioned or failure to comply with the conditions of this sanction, the State Government shall be liable to refund, the whole or part of the amount, as the case may be, in terms of Rule 209(6)(ix) of GFRs.

7. The State Government will maintain separate accounts in respect of the Central Assistance received for this Scheme. The State Government will have the accounts of the Central Assistance audited either by the Government Auditor and shall furnish the Utilization Certificate on the prescribed format i.e. GFR-12C in original duly signed by authorized signatory of the State Government, to this Ministry and counter signed by the Administrative Secretary of the Division regulating the scheme, as per Rule 239 of GFR 2017 to this ministry.

8. The accounts will be open to inspection by the sanctioning authority and audit, both by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India under the provision of CAG (DPC) Act 1971 and internal audit by the Principal Accounts office of the Ministry/Department, whenever the Institution or Central Government is called upon to do so.

9. Further, as per the decision of the Government of India, the scholarship amount due to the selected beneficiaries (students) shall be disbursed through DBT mode only. Other mode such as through cash or cheque shall be unacceptable.

10. The scholarship will be disbursed as per Gazette Notification dated 16.02.2017 issued under the provision of Section 7 of the Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016.

11. This sanction is being issued with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Division of the Ministry vide their e-office Dy. No. 25434 dated 28.12.2018

Yours sincerely,

(Tasneem Maajid Ganai)
Director (BC)

Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:

1. Principal Secretary, Social Justice and Empowerment Department - B, Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla - 171002.
2. Secretary, Finance Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla
4. NITI Ayog, (SJ&E), NITI Bhavan, New Delhi;
5. Director of Audit, Central Revenue, I.P. Estate, New Delhi;