

No. 11014/24/2016-BC-I  
Government of India  
Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment  
(Department of Social Justice & Empowerment)  
(BC Division)

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Dated the 27<sup>th</sup> September 2016.

To

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

Sub: Release of Central Assistance to State Government of Himachal Pradesh under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Post-Matric Scholarship to OBC Students for the Year 2016-17.

Sir,

In continuation to this Ministry's sanction letter No. 11014/01(c)/2014-BC-I dated 29<sup>th</sup> April 2016, I am directed to convey the sanction of President for release of **Rs.1,19,00,000/- (Rupees One crore and Nineteen lakh only)** as central assistance to the State Government of Himachal Pradesh under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Post-Matric Scholarship to OBC students for the year 2016-17. Earlier an ad-hoc amount of Rs. 359.00 lakh has already been released to the State Govt. during the current financial year. Thus, a sum of Rs.478.00 lakh will be available with the State Govt. for spending under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Post Matric Scholarships to students belonging to OBC during 2016-17.

2. This sanction relates to Plan Expenditure and is in accordance with the pattern of assistance prescribed by the then Planning Commission.

3. The expenditure is debit able to the Major Head/Grant Sub-Head etc. as indicated below:

Demand	Major Head 3601	Amount
No. 82-Department of Social Justice and Empowerment 2016-17 (Plan)	Grants in aid to State Govt. 02- Grants for States Plan Schemes (sub major Head) 377- Welfare of Backward Classes- Education (Minor Head) 01.01- Post-Matric Scholarships 01.01.31- Grants- in- aid (General)	<b>Rs.1,19,00,000/- (Rupees One crore and Nineteen lakh only)</b>

4. It is requested that arrangement may kindly be credited to the above amount to the State named above in accordance with the procedure laid down in the Ministry of Finance O.M No. 2(45)/76-Spl. Cell dated 30.08.1976 and modified vide O.M of even number dated 16.9.76, under intimation to this Division.

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 19A up to 2016-17; and
- (ii) Furnishing of Financial Progress report of 2016-17 and quarterly physical progress report indicating details of number of beneficiaries, class-wise and gender wise.

शमशेर सिंह कुमार/S. S. KUMAR  
अवर सचिव/Under Secretary  
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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 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 Utilisation certificate on the prescribed format i.e GFR-19 in original duly signed by authorized signatory not below the level of Director of the State Government 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 w. e. f 2015-16. Other mode such as through cash or cheque shall not be accepted.**

10. This sanction is being issued with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Division of the Ministry vide their Dy. No. e-15220/JS&FA (SJ&E), dated. 19.09.2016.

Yours faithfully,



शम्भु शरण कुमार (S.S. Kumar)  
अवर सचिव/Under Secretary  
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2. The Director, SCs, OBCs and Minority Affairs, SDA Complex, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla -9.
3. The Accountant General, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla.
4. The Secretary Finance Department, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla.
5. The Secretary, Planning Department, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla.
6. Director of Audit, Central Revenue, I.P. Estate, New Delhi.
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(S.S.Kumar)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

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