



Government of West Bengal
Backward Classes Welfare Department
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Website: www.anagrasarkalyan.gov.in

No. SBCW-437/13

Date: 25-10-2013

From : The Principal Secretary
to the Government of West Bengal.

To : The District Magistrate
(All District)

Sub.: **Modifications in system of filing application under "oasis.gov.in".**

Sir / Madam,

You are aware that the Backward Classes Welfare Department, Government of West Bengal has introduced a system of "Online Application for Scholarship in Studies" for seeking scholarships under different educational schemes from this year. An estimated 12 to 13 lakh students belonging to SC, ST and OBC are expected to get the benefit under these scheme. The last date for receiving the application was fixed at 15-11-2013. For applying online for scholarships holding a Caste Certificate has been made mandatory. But it has come to the notice that a large number of students have not yet procured caste certificate and hence cannot apply for scholarship online. As a result till date only 4.6 lakh applications have been filed till upto 25-10-2013 and the figure is low compared to the expected number. Many prospective applications have filed applications for 'Caste Certificates' also but have not yet received certificates and therefore unable to apply for scholarship.

It is apprehended that if possessing 'Caste Certificate' is kept mandatory for applying online then a huge number of students may not be able to submit application in time and may be deprived of the benefits. In view of the above the following decisions have been taken to implement the scholarship schemes smoothly.

1. Except for the Districts of Howrah and Coochbehar where DBT is being introduced, possessing Caste Certificate by the applicant has been made optional. However filling of application for caste certificate and enclosing the acknowledgement slip/ receipt thereof with the hard copy of application for scholarship shall be mandatory. In Howrah and Coochbehar, possessing 'Caste Certificate' will continue to remain mandatory;
2. The last date for submission of online application has been extended upto 15-12-2013.

In this connection instructions may be sent to all Block Development Officers to process all the filed applications for finalization of the list of beneficiaries of scholarships. Services of the Inspectors and Additional Inspectors should be fully utilized for this purpose. It may be mentioned that the order extending tenure of Additional Inspectors for another one year with effect from 01-10-2013 is likely to be issued soon.

This is for your information and necessary action.

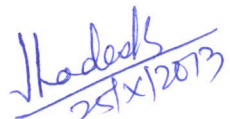
Yours faithfully,

Shadeek
25/10/2013

Principal Secretary
Government of West Bengal

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1. The Commissioner, BCW;
2. The Additional Secretary, BCW Department;
3. Private Secretary to the Hon'ble Minister-in-Charge, BCW Department;
4. The PO-cum-DWO / DWO (All District).
-- He is requested to communicate this order to all concerned;
5. The Sub-Divisional Officer (All District);
6. Website;
7. Guard File.


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