Government of Punjab Department of Social Justice, Empowerment and Minorities (Non-Plan Cell)

NOTIFICATION

Dated, October 27-,2020

No. 3/26/2020-SA1/ 2057 Consequent upon transfer of financial liability under the SC Post Matric Scholarship Scheme, and resultant denial of benefit to the poor Scheduled Caste students by the Government of India, the Governor of Punjab is pleased to notify and recast the scheme as following:

- I. The scheme shall here-in-after be called "Dr. BR Ambedkar SC Post Matric Scholarship Scheme" and shall be effective from the academic session 2020-21.
- II. The scheme shall be applicable to the persons belonging to Scheduled Castes (SC), who are domiciled in the State of Punjab; and have done matriculation from the State of Punjab including Chandigarh.
- III. The income criteria, i.e. income of both parents, has been enhanced from Rs. 2.50 lakh to Rs. 4.00 lakh for availing assistance under the scheme.
- IV. The benefit under the scheme shall be extended to all higher education Central and State Government institutions in the State of Punjab and Chandigarh.
- V. The Scheme shall be open for participation by private higher education institutions in the State of Punjab and Chandigarh.
- VI. In the case of private institutions, 60% cost of expenditure (as per Punjab Government notification No. 3/135/2016/SA-1/2672 dated 26-12-2016) shall be payable by the State Government through Direct Benefit Transfer to the institutions, whereas 40% cost shall be borne by the participating private institution. There shall be no burden of course fee on SC students, who will be provided cash-less free education.
- VII. The remaining terms and conditions of the scheme shall remain as earlier under the Post Matric Scholarship Scheme of 2018 of the Government of India.
- VIII. In the case of any difficulty in implementation as also to assess usefulness of courses offered by various institutions in the State of Punjab including Chandigarh, a Committee comprising of Administrative Secretaries of Department of Social Justice and





Empowerment, Higher Education and Technical Education shall be set up. The recommendations of the Committee, on issues that may be brought before it, shall be considered by the State Government for appropriate decision.

The Guidelines of 2018, as amended from time to time, are attached 2. along with for reference.

Dated, Chandigarh 87-10-2020

Principal Secretary to Government of Punjab, Department of Social Justice, Empowerment and Minorities

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