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NOTIFICATION

TRIBAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Subject: Measures to be adopted for filling applications/ verification of applications for ST Pre-Matric & Post-Matric Scholarship FY 2023-24 in NSP.

This is for information of all concerned that **NSP** (**National Scholarship Portal**) is evolving continuously with the endeavours of **DBT** (**Direct Beneficiary Transfer**) Mission and onboarded Ministries/ Departments/ States/ UTs and delivering state-of-the-art services for scholarship disbursements in DBT Mode. DBT Mission and onboarded Ministries/ Departments/ States/ UTs are constantly strengthening the portal so that a secure and user-friendly system can be evolved.

In view of the above, as per the information (via e-mail dated, 29/09/2023, time-01:38 PM) received from the National Informatics Centre (NIC) the Competent Authority has taken following major decision and will be implemented on NSP portal from AY/FY 2023-24.

- (a) **AADHAAR** to be made mandatory for all applicants. However, for minor applicants who apply without AADHAAR, it will be mandatory for parent or legal guardian to provide AADHAAR.
- (b) In order to ensure smooth transition, One-Time-Password (OTP) based authentication will also be permitted for AY/FY 2023-24. Institutes are requested to take necessary action for wide dissemination among the concerned students to register the Mobile number with AADHAR for AY/FY 2023-24.
- (c) Further, AADHAAR based bio-metric authentication and e-KYC to be made mandatory from the AY/FY 2024-25.
- (d) All scholarship payments to be made using **Aadhaar Payment Bridge (APB) system** to ensure that payments are made only to the rightful beneficiary. Students have to **seed their bank account with their Aadhaar number** so that they can receive the scholarship benefit in their bank account.
- (e) **State Nodal Officer/ District Nodal Officer/ Head of Institute/ Institute Nodal Officer** has to perform **e-KYC (bio-metric /face-auth)** to verify applications from their NSP logins.

The above conditions will be applicable for both fresh and renewal. In renewal also, student should submit their application after completing their OTP based e-KYC. Applications will not be submitted without Aadhaar based e-KYC.

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| All concerned | for information and compliance. | |

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- 1. The PS to the Hon'ble Minister, Tribal Welfare, Govt. of Tripura for kind information of the Minister.
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