Government of West Bengal

Department of Higher Education (University Branch)

Bikash Bhavan, Salt Lake, Kolkata-91

No. 684(17)-Edn(U)/1U-70/14

Dated, Kolkata, the 25th June, 2014

From: Smt. Madhumita Ray, IAS

Additional Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal

To: The Vice Chancellor,

Subject: Enrolment under Kanyashree Prakalpa

Sir.

You are aware of the fact that Kanyashree Prakalpa has been launched since 1st October 2013 all over the state. This is a unique scheme having two components, i.e.

- i) An annual scholarship of Rs. 500/- to un-married girls within the age group 13-18 years with family income of Rs. 1,20,0007 per annum or less, enrolled in classes VIII-XII in government recognized regular or equivalent open school or equivalent vocational/technical training course;
- ii) A One-Time Grant of Rs. 25,000 /- to un-married girls within the age group 18-19 years with family income of Rs. 1, 20,0007 per annum or less, enrolled in and regularly attending an Institution of Education or Training or an Institution of Higher Education or is an inmate in a J. J. Home.

It has been found that at least 40 percent of the 'One-Time Grant' beneficiaries i.e. 'unmarried girls within the age-group 18-19 years, having family income of Rs. 1, 20,0007- or less per annum' are studying in different colleges and unitary universities across the state. In this connection, I would therefore request you to kindly instruct the principals of all the colleges under your jurisdiction to motivate all the eligible girls for enrollment under the Kanyashree Prakalpa.

The principals may be further instructed to give necessary certification regarding the fact that 'she is un-married, studying regularly in the said institution and belong to the age-group of 18-19 years' at the time of application with a family income of 1, 20,0007- or less per annum. The above certification may also be given by the elected representatives like M.P., M.L.A., Chairman/Chairpersons of Corporations/Municipalities, Counselors, Sabhapati, Pradhan and Group 'A' Officers of that area. Details are available in the website: www.wbkanyashree.gov.in.

Further, It may be noted that for 'physically handicapped girls of above 40 percent disability' and 'orphan girls', there is no income criterion.

The eligible candidates can open a 'Zero Balance Savings Bank Account' in any nationalised bank or any other bank with direct transfer facility. After sanction, the requisite amount will be transferred directly to the beneficiaries account.

The details of the eligible candidates must be uploaded in the Kanyashree Portal (www.wbkanyashree.gov.in). A sum of Rs. 107- per application (including raw data entry and scanning of documents) has been sanctioned for uploading the information by any Agency/Kiosks in the said portal.

The Government desires that all the eligible girl beneficiaries studying in colleges and turned eighteen must be enrolled within the due time and before their nineteenth birthday so that they can continue in their endeavor.

I am directed to request you to take necessary action from your end and to send an action taken report to this Department at an early date.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/- Madhumita Ray

Additional Secretary

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- 1. The Special Secretary (Technical), Higher Education Department, Bikash Bhavan, Salt Lake;
- 2. The Director of Public Instruction, Govt. of West Bengal, Bikash Bhavan, Salt Lake;
- 3. The Director of Technical Education, Govt. of West Bengal, Bikash Bhavan, Salt Lake;
- 4. The Registrar, Universities, West Bengal;
- 5. P.A. to the Secretary, Higher Education Department, Bikash Bhavan, Salt Lake

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