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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & FARMERS' EMPOWERMENT

NOTIFICATION

The 26th February, 2019

No.4328–AP-I-11/2019/A&FE.— The State Cabinet in their 69th meeting held on 22nd February, 2019 have approved the proposal of KALIA Scholarship under Farmers' Welfare –KALIA scheme.

Objective of the Scheme:

The objective of the scheme is to extend financial assistance to the children of the beneficiaries under KALIA for pursuing Professional courses in the State of Odisha. It will lead to better access to Higher Education for children of small & marginal farmers, actual cultivators (share croppers), landless agricultural labourers and vulnerable farm families. KALIA Scholarship will support farmers for not only enhancing their income but also empowering their family.

Key features of KALIA Scholarship

In order to ensure proper higher education of their children, support will be provided in the form of KALIA Scholarship. The scholarship will be given purely on merit basis those who are studying in Government colleges of the State. The students of the professional/technical courses like Medical, Engineering, Agriculture & Allied, Nursing, Diploma and ITI etc. can avail the scholarship on merit basis. The students taking admission on cost sharing/ Self-financing/NRI will not be eligible for the scholarship. A portal i.e. www.kalia.co.in has been developed for the students to apply online.

Subjects & Courses eligible for the KALIA Scholarship The Professional or Technical graduation courses like M.B.B.S, B.DS, BHMS, BAMS, B.Pharma, B.Sc. (Nursing), PBBSC, B.Sc. Agriculture, BVSC & AH, B.Sc Horticulture, B.Sc. Forestry, B.Sc. Fisheries Science, B.Sc. Community Science, B.Tech (Agril. Engg), B.Tech/B.E in Government Institutes of the State are included under the KALIA Scholarship.

Similarly, Diploma courses like D. Pharma, DMLT, DMRT, Ophthalmic Assistance/Surgical OPTH Assistance, GNM, ANM, Psychiatric Nursing, Polytechnic & Agri Polytechnic in Government Institutes of the State are included under the KALIA Scholarship.

Further, courses of different trades in Government ITI's are included under the KALIA Scholarship scheme.

The list of courses may be modified if needed, based on new courses that may be added.

- Modalities for implementation**
- i. The children of all the beneficiaries under KALIA scheme under the three different components, namely ***Support to Cultivators for Cultivation, Livelihood Support to Landless Agricultural Households and Financial Assistance to vulnerable Agricultural Households*** are eligible for the scholarship.
 - ii. The student must have obtained admission in a Government institution of the State.
 - iii. The student will not be eligible to get any other scholarship or if he/she is in receipt of another scholarship, he/she will need to shift from the existing scholarship scheme to the KALIA Scholarship, if they so choose. Only one scholarship can be availed.
 - iv. The students can get KALIA scholarship for one professional course only & shall not be eligible

for getting the scholarship for a second professional course.

- v. The tuition fees, annual college fees, one time college fees, hostel establishment charges etc. which are deposited in the college / universities shall be released to the concerned college /universities directly through DBT.
- vi. The mess charges shall be provided to the students directly through online to the student's bank account. The mess /hostel charges of Rs.1200/- per month & Rs.1000/- per month shall be provided to the Degree & Diploma / Polytechnic / ITI students respectively, based on ST & SC Development, Minorities & Backward Classes Welfare Department approved rates, which would be subject to change from time to time.
- vii. For the refund and penalties in different situations, the institution shall follow the guidelines/modalities of the concerned Department/ Institution. Any refundable security deposit shall not be part of the scholarship and will need to be paid by the student.
- viii. Since the course has already started during the present academic session, 2018-19, the student can avail of the benefit of the mess charges during 2018-19 for the remaining period. All fees including hostel/mess charges shall be available during 2019-20 & 2020-21.
- ix. The scholarship sanctioned in favour of a student shall liable to be cancelled if he/she is found to have obtained scholarship by false statements, discontinues his/her studies, or is in receipt of any other scholarship.

- x. This scheme is automatically renewable on year to year basis in the same category on receipt of satisfactory performance of completion of the academic session from the concerned Institute Head.
- xi. An MIS portal shall be developed for monitoring the scheme.
- xii. The scheme will be implemented by the Department of Agriculture & Farmers' Empowerment.
- xiii. The State Level Committee, Implementation Committee and District Level Committee formed under KALIA scheme will also review & monitor the implementation of this component and may suggest changes that may be required. Any other members, if required may be invited with the permission of chairman of the committee.
- xiv. The actual numbers of KALIA scholars may vary based on the implementation.
- xv. Detailed guidelines for implementation of the scheme shall be prepared separately.

ORDER

Ordered that the notification be published in the Extraordinary issue of *Odisha Gazette*.

By Order of the Governor

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