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## GOVERNMENT OF MANIPUR SECRETARIAT : EDUCATION-S DEPARTMENT

## **NOTIFICATION**

Imphal, the 6<sup>th</sup> July, 2022

**PS1/9/2022-EDN(S)-EDN (S):** Whereas, the use of Aadhaar as an identity document for delivery of service or benefits or subsidies simplifies the Government delivery processes, bringing in transparency and efficiency, and enables beneficiaries to get their entitlements directly in a convenient and seamless manner by obviating the need to produce multiple documents to provide one's identity.

And whereas, the Education-S Department is administering "the Merit Scholarship Scheme for Class X and XII to selected meritorious Class X and Class XII passed students" which is being implemented through the Directorate of Education-S, Manipur.

And whereas under the Scheme, "a scholarship amount of Rs 6000 per annum for two years per student passing class X and a scholarship amount of Rs 12000 per annum for three years per student passing Class XII is given to the first 300 students in the merit list who passed Class X examination from Board of Secondary Education, Manipur and first 125 students of Science stream, first 125 students of Social Sciences and first 50 students of commerce in Class XII examination conducted by Council of Higher Education, Manipur respectively" by the Implementing Agency as per the extant Scheme guidelines.

And whereas, the aforesaid Scheme involves recurring expenditure incurred from the Consolidated Fund of the State.

Now, therefore, in pursuance of section 7 of the Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other Subsidies, Benefits and Service) Act, 2016 (18 of 2016) (hereinafter referred to as the said Act) the Government of Manipur hereby notifies the following, namely:

1. (1) A child desirous of availing the benefit under the scheme shall hereby be required to furnish proof of possession of the Aadhaar number or undergo Aadhaar authentication.

(2) Any children desirous of availing the benefit under the Scheme, who does not possess the Aadhaar number or, has not yet enrolled of Aadhaar, shall be required to make application for Aadhaar enrolment subject to the consent of his parents or guardian before registering for the scheme provided that he is entitled to obtain Aadhaar as per section 3 of the said Act and such children shall visit any Aadhaar enrolment centre (list available at the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) website www.uidai.gov.in ) to get enrolled for Aadhaar.

(3) As per regulation 21 of the Aadhaar (Enrolment and Update) Regulations, 2016, the Department through its Implementing Agency, is required to offer Aadhaar enrolment facilities for the beneficiaries who are not yet enrolled for Aadhaar and in case there is no Aadhaar centre located in the respective Block or Taluka or Tehsil, the Department through its implementing Agency shall provide Aadhar enrolment facilities at convenient locations in coordination with the existing Registrars of UIDAI or becoming a UIDAI Registrar themselves.

Provided that till the time Aadhaar is assigned to the individual benefits under the Scheme shall be given to such individual subject to the production of the following documents, namely: -

- a. if the child has been enrolled after assigning the age of five years (with biometric collection) his Aadhaar Enrolment Identification slip or bio-metric update identification slip; and
- b. any one of the following documents namely:
  - i. Birth Certificate or Record of birth issued by the appropriate authority or
  - ii. School identity card duly signed by the Principal of the school containing parents' names and
- c. any one of the following documents as proof of relationship of the beneficiary with the parent or legal guardian as per the extent Scheme guidelines, namely
  - i. Birth Certificate or Record of birth issued by the appropriate authority or
  - ii. Ration Card or
  - Ex-Servicemen Contributory Health Scheme (ECHS) Card or Employees State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) Card or Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) Card or
  - iv. Pension Card or
  - v. Army Canteen Card or
  - vi. Any Government Family Entitlement Card or
  - vii. Any other document as specified by the Department

Provided further that the above documents shall be checked by an officer specifically designated by the Department for that purpose.

- 2. In order to provide benefits to the beneficiaries under the Scheme conveniently, the Department through its Implementing Agency shall make all the required arrangement "to ensure that wide publicity through media shall be given to the beneficiaries to make them aware of the said requirement.
- 3. In all cases, where Aadhaar authentication fails due to poor biometrics of the beneficiaries or due to any other reason the following remedial mechanisms shall be adopted namely,-

(a) in case of poor fingerprint quality iris or face authentication facility shall be adopted for authentication thereby the Department through its Implementing Agency shall make provision for iris scanners or face authentication along with finger-print authentication for delivery of benefits in seamless manner.

(b) in case the biometric authentication through fingerprints or iris scan or face authentication is not successful, wherever feasible and admissible authentication by Aadhaar One Time Password or Time-based One –Time Password with limited time validity as the case may be shall be offered. (c) in all other cases where biometrics or Aadhaar Oner Time Password or Time Timebased One –Time Password authentication is not possible benefit under the Scheme may be given on the basis of Physical Aadhaar letter whose authenticity can be verified through the Quick Response (QR) code printed on the Aadhaar letter and the necessary arrangement of QR code reader shall be provided at the convenient locations by the Department through its Implementing Agency.

- 4. Notwithstanding anything contained herein above, no child shall be denied benefit under the Scheme in case of failure to establish his identity undergoing authentication or furnishing proof of possession of Aadhaar number or in the case of a child to whom no Aadhaar number has been assigned producing an application for enrolment. The benefit shall be given to him by verifying his identity on the basis of other documents as mentioned in clauses (b) and (c) of the proviso of sub-paragraph (3) of paragraph 1 and where benefit is given on the basis of such other documents a separate register shall be maintained to record the same which shall be renewed and audited periodically by the Department through its Implementing Agency.
- 5. This notification shall come into effect from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

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