GOVERNMENT OF MANIPUR DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

<u>CHIEF MINISTER'S COLLEGE STUDENTS REHABILITATION SCHEME</u> (CMCSRS), 2023

(Education knows no barrier)

Manipur is a state where higher education sector is growing in a fast pace. The state currently has 03 state Universities, some 10 Central Universities/Higher Education Institutions, 51 Government and Government Aided Colleges and 30 odd private colleges which cater to the needs of the students pursuing higher education in the state. With the implementation of National Education Policy (NEP), 2020, the state is geared up to get higher heights in the field of higher education. The State Government has taken up numerous measures to improve the quality of higher education in the state in the lines of provisions given in NEP, 2020. Some of the initiatives taken up by the Government include:

- As a part of implementation of NEP, 2020 in Manipur, a 4 years Undergraduate Programme with Choice based Credit System (CBCS) and Outcome based Curriculum Framework has been introduced in the colleges of Manipur w.e.f. 2022-23 in which choices are provided to the students to opt for multidisciplinary subjects and Skill based subjects.
- The students reading at Under Graduate Programme are being enrolled for Academic Bank of Credit (ABC) as required under NEP, 2020.
- The syllabi of the UG programmes have been revised by incorporating multi-disciplinary aspects, skill components, Value addition components and Indian Knowledge system.
- It is planned to introduce 4 year Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP) in some Government Colleges under National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) as part of Implementation of NEP, 2020.
- Several other initiatives including Digital and online Education, Students Support systems, Faculty Development Programmes and Infrastructure development of the Institutions are being taken up as envisaged in the NEP, 2020.
- Blended Learning in which students are taught physically as well as through online mode is being adopted to maximize learning benefits of the students. MOODLE Learning Management, e-Library platforms such as N-LIST and Access to learning materials in dedicated web-portals are some of the initiatives taken up to enhance online learning in the colleges of Manipur.
- Plan is underway to consolidate the higher education institutions of Manipur into larger units by clustering and establishment of more State Universities where Colleges can be accommodated as Constituent Colleges as affiliation College system has to be done away with as per NEP, 2020.
- Steps are also being undertaken to bring about reforms in the governance and management of the Higher Education Institutions as spelled out in NEP, 2020.
- Under Mission NAAC 2.5+ initiated by the Department of Higher Education in 2021, about 80% of the Government and Government Aided Colleges of Manipur have been accredited by National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC). The remaining colleges are expected to be accredited by the middle of 2023.

The current initiatives in the higher education institutions of the state has encouraged mobility of the students and teachers from one part of the state to another in search of knowledge and skills. There have been new efforts to provide a common platform for learning and working jointly by the students/scholars across the length and breadth of the state under the new scheme of

things. Never were the learners and teachers so close to one another in exploring the realm of knowledge as is seen today in higher education sector of the state.

The state, however, has been reeling under a serious law and order problem since first week of May, 2023. As per the preliminary reports gathered from different parts of the state, as many as **2000 college going students** have been affected directly or indirectly by the current law and order problem in Manipur. In order to ensure that the affected students who are reading in Under Graduate Programme in the Government and Government Aided Colleges of Manipur continue their education without interruption, the Higher Education Department, Government of Manipur is launching a new Scheme known as the 'Chief Minister's College Students Rehabilitation Scheme' (CMCSRS), 2023.

Objectives of the Scheme:

- i. Transfer of students from the present college to a new college will be facilitated under the Scheme as per request made by the students. The new college where students shall be transferred will be identified as per availability of seats and other requirements.
- ii. The Scheme aims at providing free admission/waiver for affected students in the Government and Government Aided Colleges of Manipur for the academic session 2023.24.
- iii. The Scheme aims at providing monetary grants to the affected Undergraduate students for purchase of books, stationery, uniforms and other requirements for continuing with their education.
- iv. The Scheme aims at controlling dropout rate of the students in the undergraduate level. The NEP, 2020 envisages checking dropping out of students in the higher education level.
- v. It is targeted to maintain a healthy Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) of the students in the colleges of Manipur under the Scheme. NEP, 2020 aims at increasing GER to 50% by 2050 in the country.
- vi. The Scheme also aims to encourage hybrid/blended mode of learning in higher education by making provisions for availability of IT gadgets and softwares to the affected students. NEP, 2020 envisions use of IT and IT enabled services for imparting higher education in addition to physical mode of learning/teaching methods.

Eligibilty:

Only those students who are reading in any semester of the Undergraduate Programme at a Government or Government Aided College of Manipur are eligible to apply for the Scheme.

Scheme Components:

The 'Chief Minister's College Students Rehabilitation Scheme' (CMCSRS), 2023 aims at providing the required facilities to those Under Graduate Students reading in the Government or Government Aided Colleges of Manipur who have been affected by the acute law and order problem in the state of Manipur during May, 2023 so to enable them to continue with their studies without interruption.

The Scheme Components shall consist of the following:

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1.	Directly affected students	 i. Transfer to a new college (as per request) ii. Free admission for 2023-24 (Admission amount ranging from Rs.5000 to Rs.9000 as per the stream/subjects offered) iii. One time rehabilitation grant of Rs. 10,000/- (Rs. 5,000/- as book/stationery grant and Rs. 2,000/- for uniform and Rs. 3000 for miscellaneous expenditure) iv. Free Smart Phones under CMCMESS v. Provision for free sanitary pads and sports equipments under UHEHFS (for girl students)
2.	Inter-College Transfer facility	 i. Transfer to a new college (as per request) ii. Free admission for 2023-24 (Admission amount ranging from Rs.5000 to Rs.9000 as per the stream/subjects offered) –as applicable

In order to facilitate online learning of the affected students, the students can also apply to get free smartphones through Chief Minister's College Maheiroi e-Support Scheme (CMCMESS). Those affected students eligible for getting support under CMCMESS will be extended with the free smartphones under the Scheme. Further, as a way of empowering the girl students through physical fitness, health and menstrual hygiene management, the girl student applicants can avail free sanitary pads and sports equipments under University and Higher Education Health and Fitness Scheme (UHEHFS).

Budget of the Scheme:

An amount of Rs 2,00,000,00/- (Rupees two crores) shall be required for implementation of the Scheme as per the preliminary assessment. Out of the total required amount, a sum of Rs. 50,00,000/- (Rupees fifty lakh) only shall be incurred from the fund allocated under 'Students Amenities' Head of Account (2202-03-800-75-00-50) in BE, 2023-24 and the remaining amount of Rs. 1,50, 00,000/- (Rupees one crore fifty lakh) only shall be met from additional budgetary allocation under appropriate HOA in BE 2023-24. In case of requirement of fund in addition to the Scheme budget of Rs. 2,00.00.000/-, the Government will consider for more allocation in the budget.

Scheme Period:

The Scheme is one time and will be implemented only in 2023-24 in view of the prevailing serious law and order situation in the state of Manipur. However, it is subject to continuation in the following years as deemed fit by the Government.

How to Apply:

Those affected students studying in the Government and Government Aided Colleges of Manipur may apply online in a given portal/link to be notified later to avail benefits under the Scheme. The notification for application shall be published in major newspapers of the state and announced in All India Radio/Local TV Channels. The eligible students will be given sufficient time to apply online for the Scheme.

Selection of the Beneficiaries:

A Screening Committee consisting of the following members shall screen all the applications submitted till the last date of submission. The Committee shall establish the genuineness of the e applications based on the documents submitted by them/enquiry made in this regard in the concerned college/locality etc. The applicants need to submit a Certificate issued by the SDO/SDC of the subdivision/circle where the applicants are residing at the time of application in this regard.

i. Director (UHE), Government of Manipur
 ii. Additional Director (UHE), Government of Manipur
 iii. Senior Finance Officer (UHE), Government of Manipur
 iv. 4 Principals of Govt. Colleges to be nominated by the Chairperson
 Chairperson
 Member
 Member

Distribution/Availing of Scheme benefits:

The duly recommended list of beneficiaries shall be approved by the Administrative Department of Higher Education, Government of Manipur. The distribution of benefits under the Scheme shall be carried out as per the sequence given below:

Firstly, the transfer of students as per their request from the present college to a choice/new college shall be effected as per seat vacancies/feasibility in the colleges.

Secondly, the students shall get themselves admitted in the new college free of cost. The students can admit in the next semester if he/she has passed the preceding semester examinations in the previous college. The Principals of the colleges concerned shall submit a report on the details of such students who have been admitted under the Scheme to the Director, University and Higher Education, Government of Manipur. The colleges concerned shall immediately enrol/register these students in NLIST and Moodle LMS for extending support on e-resources and online classes.

Thirdly, the rehabilitation grant of Rs. 10,000/-(Rupees ten thousand) under the Scheme shall be transferred to the individual bank accounts of the respective student beneficiaries through DBT.

Fourthly, applicants eligible for getting support under CMCMESS will be assured smart phones to be extended to the eligible beneficiaries under the Scheme. Simultaneously, girl student applicants shall avail free sanitary pads and sport equipments under UHEHFS.