## GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

OSWAS No.HE-SCH-MISC-0013/2021 33498 /HE., Dated 06 08 22

### **NOTIFICATION**

Since 2016-17, the Green Passage Scheme of Higher Education Department has been providing free higher education to children without biological or adoptive parents. After the outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic, many children in Odisha lost cither both parents or single parent who were/was the bread earner of the family. Therefore, the Green Passage Scheme is hereby revised, as given below, to as well cover the children who lost their both parents or single parent in the COVID-19 pandemic.

### 1. Beneficiary:

A child without biological/adoptive parents or a child who has lost both or single bread-earning parent or a child residing in Child Care Institution or under foster care or care of a guardian or any fit person/ surviving parent will be eligible to get the benefits of the scheme, subject to the condition that the annual income of guardian/ fit person/ surviving parent does not exceed Rs. 8 Lakhs from all sources.

### 2. Identification:

- a. If the child is or was an inmate of a Child Care Institution, the District Child Protection Officer (DCPO) will issue the certificate to avail the benefits of Green Passage Scheme.
- b. If the child is under foster care/ care of a guardian, the DCPO will issue the said certificate basing on recommendation of Child Welfare Committee and income certificate from Tahasildar.
- c. In case of children of COVID-19 victims, they have to submit the Specially Cared Child Certificate/ I-Card for identification and income certificate from concerned Tahasildar for consideration.
- d. Following annexures to be used for this purpose,
- Annexure-I: Application for availing benefits under Green Passage Scheme to be submitted to the DCPO with acknowledgement.
- Annexure-II: Recommendation by Child Welfare Committee (CWC) for availing benefits under Green Passage Scheme.
- Annexure-III: Certificate to avail benefits under Green Passage Scheme to be issued by the DCPO.

### 3. Exemption of Fees:

a. Under this Scheme, the fees like application fees, admission/readmission fees, tuition fees, examination fees, hostel admission fees, laboratory fees, library

fees, college development fees, etc. will be exempted for the eligible students. The institutions will also provide free accommodation and food to such students.

- b. The scheme would cover the students who pursue their higher education in any Government or Non-Government Higher Education Institutions (i.e., College & University). Here higher education would mean general/professional/ technical education of at least 1 year duration after Class-12.
- c. In case of Government Institutions, fees will be exempted at the time of admission on submission of required documents by the student.
- d. In case of Non-Government Aided Colleges, fees will be exempted at the time of admission and would be reimbursed by Government on submission of required documents/vouchers by the institution to Government in Higher Education Department.
- e. In case of Non-Government Un-aided Institutions, the student will take admission by arranging funds on his/her own and then seek reimbursement from Government on submission of required documents/vouchers to Government in Higher Education Department. Such reimbursement will be limited to Rs. 5 Lakhs maximum for entire duration of the course.

The earlier Resolution No.23836, dtd.29.10.2015 and subsequent orders vide this Department letter No.19226/HE, dtd. 14.07.2016 and letter No. 16049/HE, dtd. 22.06.2017 are hereby superseded.

By order of the Governor

(Saswat Mishra, IAS)

#### **Principal Secretary to Government**

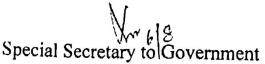
Memo No. 33499 /HE., Dated 6.8.22\_

Copy submitted to the Principal Secretary to Hon'ble Governor, Odisha/ Private Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister, Odisha / PS to Hon'ble Minister, Higher Education, Odisha for kind information of Hon'ble Governor, Odisha/ Hon'ble Chief Minister, Odisha / Hon'ble Minister, Higher Education, Odisha.

Special Secretary to Government

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#### /HE., Dated 10.08:2022. Memo No. 33935

Copy with copy of enclosures (Annexure-I, Annexure-II, Annexure-III) forwarded to All Officers/ All Sections of Higher Education Department for information w.r.t this Special Secretary to Government Department Memo No.33504 Dated.06.08.2022.

# /HE., Dated 10.08-2022.

Memo No. <u>33936</u>

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1,018 Special Secretary to Government

### GANGADHAR MEHER UNIVERSITY, AMRUTA VIHAR, SAMBALPUR

Mamo No 36 5 /GMU/

Date: 06 09 2022

Copy to All Notice Boards / OIC, UG Admission / OIC, PG Admission / All HoDs / PA to VC / PA to Registrar / Dy Registrar / System Manager for information and necessary action.

REGISTRAR

Sl No...../Date.....

# Application for availing benefits under Green Passage Scheme

[Notification No.33498 Dated 06.08.2022 of Higher Education Department]

Affix recent passport size photograph

To

[The competent authority]

- 1. Name Of the Child:
- 2. Sex:
- 3. DOB/Age:
- 4. Identification Mark:
- 5. (a) For General Children:
- i. Name and address of the Single Parent alive/ Guardian/ Fit Person in case of child is non-institutional care:
- ii. Annual Income of Single Parent alive/ Guardian/ fit person from all sources in Rs.

OR

Name and Address of family under whose foster care the child has been placed

OR

Name and Address of CCI in case the child is in institutional care:

(b) For Children of Covid-19 victims:

- i. Name and address of guardian (in case both parents dead)/ Single Parent (in case single parent alive):
- ii. Annual Income of guardian (in case both parents dead)/ Single Parent (in case single parent alive) from all sources in Rs\_\_\_\_\_
  - 6. CWC Recommendation in case the child is under foster care/ care of a guardian with letter No. & Date:
  - 7. List of Documents attached:
  - a. Birth Certificate
  - b. CWC's Recommendation for availing benefits under Green Passage Scheme in case the child is under foster case/ care of guardian.
  - c. Specially cared child certificate/l-Card issued by the District Child Protection Unit (DCPU) in case of covid-19 victim
  - d. One recent passport size photograph of the child
  - e. Annual Income Certificate from the competent authority showing income from all sources of guardian/ fit person (if applicable)

Full Signature of the Applicant

Date:

# **ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

No.....Date.....

An application bearing Sl. No. \_\_\_\_ Dated \_\_\_\_\_ along with all the documents/without document [s] as indicated below has been received from [Name] \_\_\_\_\_ for availing benefits under Green Passage as per Notification No. 33498 Dated 06.08.2022 of Higher Education Department.

List of documents submitted.

Seal and Signature of the Receiving Officer

### **ANNEXURE- II**

# RECOMMEDNATION BY THE CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE FOR AVAILING BENEFITS UNDER GREEN PASSAGE SCHEME

[Notification No. 33498 Dated 06.08.2022 of Higher Education Department]

Letter No.\_\_\_\_/CWC Date\_\_\_\_\_

Affix recent passport size photograph

 The Child (name)
 was placed

 in the care of Guardian/ fit person [Name and address] / CCI (name of the

 organization)
 Or

 for
 Order

 No.

 Dated
 for
 non 

 institutional care. The Child does not have any biological or adoptive parent(s).

The Protection Officer, in case the child is in non- institutional care / the In-Charge of the Organization in case the child is in institutional care [as the case may be] has produced the Case Study Report, individual Care Plan, Admission Register and earlier Order Of CWC Pertaining to the placement of the child with "Fit Person"/ care of guardian/ Child Care Institution.

In View of the above, the CWC \_\_\_\_\_(District) recommends (name)\_\_\_\_\_\_for availing benefits under Green Passage Scheme with reference to Notification No. 33498 Dtd 06.08.2022 of Higher Education Department.

Chairperson, Child Welfare Committee

(Seal of the chairperson)

Memo No.\_\_\_\_/CWC Date\_\_\_\_\_

Copy forwarded to the District Child Protection Officer/ CCI concerned/ Child Concerned for information.

Chairperson, Child Welfare Committee

## **ANNEXURE- III**

NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE OFFICE OF THE COMPETENT AUTHORITY			
CERTIFICATE TO AVAIL BENEFITS UNDER GREEN PASSAGE SCHEME			
[Notification No. 33498 Dated 06.08.2022 of Higher Education Department]			
I	letter No	/ Date	
Kumari PO certified availing benef	(nan 	Green Passage Scheme ne) At was enquired Kumari District ssage Scheme with referen y Government Of Odisha ir	into. It is hereby (name) At is eligible for ice to Notification No.
Date:		Signature Of Issuing Authority	
		(seal)	