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## Government of Odisha Higher Education Department

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From:

Sri Vinod Kumar, IAS Officer-On-Special Duty

To

The Collector & DMs, All 30 Districts

Sub.: Implementation of Scheme: Green Passage in all educational institutions

Ref.: Resolution No.23836/HE/Dt.29/10/15

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to say that Government of Odisha in Higher Education Department is implementing the "Green Passage" Scheme from the academic session 2016-17. Certain changes in the Scheme have been made which require your immediate attention.

- 1. Instead of the word "Orphan", used/described under Clause[42] of Section 2 of the Juvenile Justice(Care and Protection of Child) Act,2015, the following connotation may be used: "A child who is without biological or adoptive parents and the child is residing in Child Care Institution or under foster care or care of a guardian or any fit person whose annual income from all sources does not exceed Rs 1.00 lakh".
- Instead of Collector/Sub-Collector, the Tahasildar of the locality is designated as the competitive authority for issue of the "Certificate to avail benefits under Green passage as per Resolution No.23836, Dated 29.10.2015 of Higher Education Department".
- 3. The candidate/ applicant intending to avail facilities under the Green Passage may apply to the competent authority in the prescribed format[ Annexure-I] for issue of the "Certificate to avail benefits under Green Passage as per Resolution No.23836, Dated 29.10.2015 of Higher Education Department" and submit the said Certificate along with the Application Form for admission in College/University.

In case of difficulties in obtaining the said certificate, in respect of a candidate/applicant who has already applied for the purpose, he/she may submit an undertaking accordingly and the case may be allowed subject to the production of the relevant certificate within a period of three months from the date of filing of the undertaking.

## Format for Undertaking:

I,\_\_\_\_\_\_(Name of the applicant) undertake to submit the certificate to avail benefits under Green Passage Scheme of Government of Odisha in Higher Education Department from the competent authority within a period of three months from the date of filing of the undertaking, failing which the benefits claimed under the scheme will be withdrawn.

Signature of the Candidate

Copy of *Annexure-I* and the above Undertaking should be handed over to the Admission Committee/Authority of the Institution, who will allow them to take admission.

- 4. On submission of application accompanied with the said certificate "the fees" may be exempted at the time of admission in case of Government Institutions and in respect of non-Govt. Aided Institutions, the said fees may not be claimed from the eligible applicant, but will be reimbursed by the Higher Education Department to the said Institutions on being claimed in this regard.
- 5. All types of fees including application fees, admission/re-admission fees, tuition fees, examination fees, hostel admission fees, laboratory fees, college development fees etc. may be exempted.
- **6.** The time period to issue the certificate will be same as applicable for issuing Caste certificate/other certificates by the Revenue Officers.
- 7. Any Officer of the Higher Education Department assigned by the Principal Secretary/ Commissioner-cum-Secretary may be the Authority to decide the matter in connection with the "Appeal", which may be disposed of within 15 days.
- 8. Three annexures may be used for the purpose.

Annexure-I: Application for availing benefits under Green Passage with acknowledgement

**Annexure-II**: Recommendation by the Child Welfare Committee for availing benefits under Green Passage.

Annexure-III: Certificate to avail benefits under Green Passage.

Further, it is also requested that the same be immediately brought to the notice of all the Tahasildars/Sub-Collectors within your jurisdiction.

This may be treated as "Most Urgent".

Yours faithfully,

Officer- on- Special Duty

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Copy to P.S. to Principal Secretary to Govt., Higher Education Dept. for kind information of Principal Secretary.

Officer- on- Special Duty

Memo No. 19238 /HE/ Dated : 14/07/2016

Copy forwarded to the Registrars & Controllers of Examinations of all Universities/Chairman, Council of Higher Secondary Education, Odisha, Bhubaneswar for information and necessary action.

Officer -on- Special Duty

Memo No. 19299 (4)/HE., Dated: 14/07/2016

Copy forwarded to the Director, Higher Education, Odisha, Bhubaneswar /Regional Director of Education, Bhubaneswar, Berhampur, Sambalpur/Principals of all types of Colleges for information and necessary action.

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