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should scrutinise them for determining their eligibility under the scheme and thereafter intimate the number of eligible applicants for CPL training(with their names) each financial year to Ministry of Welfare (the applications themselves need not be sent to the Ministry). Upon receipt of such information, Ministry of Welfare will give clearance to the concerned States/UTs on the first-come-first-served basis upto 20 awards for the country as a whole. Selected candidates are provided a maintenance allowance at rates applicable to Group "b" courses i.e. Rs. 290 per month for hostellers and Rs. 190 per month for day scholars. In addition all compulsory fees, including flight charges are to be provided in fee.

Note 2: M.Phil and Ph.D. courses are post-graduation courses. Scholarship to such students may be paid at the rates of maintenance allowance for Group 'A', 'B' or 'C' depending on the course under these groups.

Note 3: Normally the term 'Hostel' is applicable to a common residential building and a common mess for the students run under the supervision of the educational institution authorities. In case the college authorities are unable to provide accommodation in the college Hostel an approved place of residence can also be treated as Hostel for the purpose of this scheme. The place will be approved by the Head of the Institution after due inspection and keeping in view the rules and regulations laid down by the University, if any. In such cases a certificate to the effect that the student is residing in an approved place of residence as he is unable to get accommodation in the college hostel should be furnished by the Head of Institution.

It is further clarified that such deemed hostels should consist of such accommodation as is hired at least by a group of 5 (five) students living together, usually with common mess arrangements.

Note 4: Scholars who are entitled to free board and/or lodging will be paid maintenance charges at 1/3rd at Hostellers' rate.

ii) Reader Charges for blind students (Blind Scholars)

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