

(16) 3. It has also been seen in case of some State Governments that the central assistance released in previous years was withheld by the respective State Finance Departments, resulting in non-implementation of the Scheme. This situation not only leads to accumulation of unutilised central assistance with the State Government but also deprives the bonafide students of their scholarship under the Scheme. The Secretary-in-charge of implementing this Scheme may ensure that this kind of irregularity does not arise, and that the remedial action is taken at the earliest. Such instances must be brought to the notice of this Ministry at the earliest so that the State Finance Secretary can be suitably requested by this Ministry to take corrective steps.

4. You are requested to particularly note that no revalidation proposals will be approved unless the concerned Secretary under his/her own signature furnishes the year-wise details of unspent balances, whether at the District or Corporation or State level in Civil Deposits, PLAs, PDAs, Bank Deposits or any other form, alongwith details of orders with dates on which the grants were released, the dates on which they were placed in the above deposits etc. alongwith the reasons for not releasing/dispersing the fund so far. The cases, if any, of the revalidation, where approval of this Ministry to utilise unspent central assistance at the end of the year 1994-95 during 1995-96 is required, may please be sent to this Ministry latest by 30th June, 1995.

5. As per pattern of assistance prescribed by the Planning Commission for this Scheme, 100% central assistance is provided to the concerned State Govts./U.T. Adms for the expenditure incurred towards payment of scholarships to students eligible under the Scheme and as per the regulations governing the Scheme, over and above their respective committed liabilities. It is, therefore, requested that concerned State Govts./U.T. Adms. should first utilise their committed liability which is equal to the total expenditure incurred during the year 1989-90, under the Scheme.

6. State Govts./UT Adms., should invariably furnish the details of audited figures of expenditure under the Scheme. If the audited figures are not available for 1994-95, the information may be furnished for the last year, for which audit has been completed.