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The objective of the Scheme is to provide coaching of good quality for economically disadvantaged Scheduled Castes (SCs) and Other Backward Classes (OBCs) candidates to enable them to appear in competitive examinations for obtaining appropriate jobs in the Public/Private Sector and/or for securing admission in reputed technical and professional higher education institutions. ï»¿The Scheme will be implemented by the Ministry with the assistance of Dr Ambedkar Foundation (DAF) through Central Universities empanelled under the Scheme. The scheme was revised in 2022-23. Under the revised guidelines, there is no empanelment of institutes. The students are selected directly by the Department and can undertake coaching in any institute of their own choice. Thus, no institute is empanelled under the scheme now.ï»¿Category-wise Ratio of Candidates 3500 students will be selected under this scheme annually.The percentage of SC students shall not be less than 70%. In case of the non-availability of an adequate number of candidates in the SC category, the MoSJE can relax this ratio. However, in no case, a less than 50% of SC students be permitted.Also under each category, 30% of the slots shall be reserved for female candidates. In case sufficient numbers of female candidates are not available under any category, male candidates from the same category shall be considered by the Ministry.BenefitsStipend @ â¸, 4000 per month for the full duration of the course not exceeding 12 months.â¸, 15,000 as an incentive to the successful students for coaching for interviews for all the students clearing the mains stage of Central Civil Services / State Civil Services Exams for Class 1 and Class 2 posts.ï»¿Mode of PaymentAll the admissible payments shall be released to the students through DBT in their Aadhar-enabled bank accounts.The fee and stipend shall be released in two instalments of 50% each of the admissible amount.The first instalment shall be released immediately at the commencement of the course.The second instalment will be released after the conclusion of more than 75% of the course duration.NOTE: The students will be required to remit the portion to the institution fee immediately and in any case not exceeding 15 days, to the Central Universities where they are receiving coaching.ï»¿Courses for Coaching The courses for which the Coaching will be imparted shall be as follows: Group A and B examinations conducted by the Union Public Service Commission(UPSC), the Staff Selection Commission (SSC) and the various Railway Recruitment Boards (RRBs); Group A and B examinations conducted by the State Public Service Commissions; Officersâ¸™ Grade examinations conducted by Banks, Insurance Companies and Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs); Premier Entrance Examinations for admission in (i) Engineering (e.g. IIT-JEE), (ii) Medical (eg. NEET), (iii) Professional courses like Management (e.g. CAT) and Law (e.g. CLAT), and (iv) Any other such disciplines as Ministry may decide from time to time. Eligibility tests/examinations like SAT, GRE, GMAT, IELTS and TOEFL. Entrance examination tests for CPL courses/National Defence Academy and Combined Defence Services. EligibilityEligibility Criteria for StudentsThe applicant should be a student.The applicant should be from Scheduled Caste or Other Backward Class.The total annual family income of the applicant (from all sources) should be â¸, 8,00,000 or less.For the competitive exams for which the qualifying exam is class 12th, the candidate should have passed class 12th or be studying in class 12th as of the date of receiving the benefit under the scheme.Further, in case of competitive exams for which the qualifying exam is Undergraduate level, the candidate should have completed the undergraduate level course or studying in the final year of the undergraduate course concerned at the time of receiving the benefit under the scheme shall be eligible.Benefits under the Scheme can be availed by a particular student not more than twice, irrespective of the number of chances he/she may be entitled to take in a particular competitive examination and irrespective of the number of stages in the exam.The applicant should not already be availing of the benefits of any other coaching scheme.ï»¿NOTE: A list of beneficiaries availing the scheme will also be uploaded on the website of the Ministry and shall be shared with Central Universities/Central Institutes to avoid the possibility of the candidate availing benefits of a similar coaching scheme simultaneously or more than twice.ï»¿Eligibility Criteria for UniversitiesA maximum of 100 seats per Central University shall be allocated to such empanelled entities.For the purpose of viability, one Central University/Institution shall not have less than a total of 50 students.Courses per Central University: Not more than 4 courses indicated in para 3 of these guidelines can be assigned to one Central University.For each course, not less than 25 students per course shall be permitted.ExclusionsFor the competitive exams for which the qualifying exam is class 12th, students having less than 50% marks in their class 10th exam, shall not be considered under the scheme.Further, in case of competitive exams for which the qualifying exam is Under Graduate level, students having less than 50% marks in their class XII exam, shall not be considered under the scheme.Application ProcessOnlineThe Central University shall issue suitable advertisements inviting willing and eligible students to apply online on the Free Coaching Scheme Portal along with the details of the course he/she intends to join.ï»¿TimelinesNotification calling for applications: 1st May Last date for receipt of applications: 31st May Tentative date for the declaration of merit list for the PMS and TCS students: 5th June Tentative date for declaration of merit list for others: 30th June Last date for Joining PMS/TCS students in coaching institutions and uploading fee receipts: 4th DecemberLast date for others joining the coaching institutions: 29th DecemberLast date for release of the coaching fee: Within one month of submission of fee receiptLast date for uploading of exam hall ticket: 30 days from the date of the entrance exam for which coaching has been takenLast date for release of the stipend: 30 days from uploading of exam hall ticket and self-certification regarding taking the examï»¿Documents RequiredPassport Size PhotographAadhaar cardIncome CertificateCaste CertificateResidence ProofAge ProofID CardDetails of the Aadhaar-linked Bank AccountMarksheet of Class 10th, for the competitive exams for which the qualifying exam is class 12th.Marksheet of Class 12th, for the competitive exams for which the qualifying exam is Under Graduate levelDeclaration that he/she has not taken benefit more than twice under the Scheme or any other similar coaching scheme run by the Central or State Government. Declaration that he/she is not availing benefits under any other coaching scheme of the Centre or State Government.ï»¿NOTE 1: At the time of application, if the student does not have an Aadhar number, he/ she can submit his/her EID number. However, the payment shall be released only after obtaining the Aadhar Number and shall be disbursed to the Aadhar-seeded bank account of the student only. NOTE 2: Income declaration of self-employed parents/guardians should be in the form of a certificate issued by a Revenue Officer, not below the rank of Tehsildar. Employed parents/guardians are required to obtain an income certificate from their employer and submit a consolidated certificate from the Revenue Officer including any other additional source of income. Frequently Asked QuestionsHow is the scheme monitored and coordinated?The Ministry, in association with DAF, monitors the scheme by obtaining periodic reports from Central Universities and conducting physical verifications.An you elaborate on the establishment of the Online Learning Management System?DAF is responsible for establishing an Online Learning Management System for knowledge sharing and coordination among different Central Universities.What is the responsibility of Central Universities regarding eligibility of students?Central Universities should verify the credentials of students and certify their eligibility; they are solely responsible for any ineligible students.How is the shifting of students from one Central University to another managed?If the number of students in a particular Central University is insufficient, with the consent of both universities and the student, they can be shifted to

other entities.Can Central Universities enroll students beyond the allocated slots?Yes, they can enroll additional students beyond the allocated slots, but the Ministry does not provide funds for these extra students.How are payments made to students under this scheme? All payments are released through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) in the Aadhar-enabled bank accounts of the students.How is attendance of students monitored during coaching?Central Universities record Aadhar-based biometric attendance and share it with DAF. Students absenting without valid reasons may have their candidature canceled.What is the minimum duration of coaching for different courses? The minimum duration of coaching varies for different courses, as specified in Annexure-A of the guidelines.How is the selection of students carried out for coaching?Central Universities issue advertisements inviting eligible students to apply for coaching. Only online applications are considered, and selection is based on a merit list prepared by the institution.What is the process for renewing the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Central Universities?The MoU with Central Universities is signed for a three-year period and can be renewed subject to performance criteria and willingness of the Central University.What is the role of the Selection Committee in empaneling Central Universities?The Selection Committee recommends Central Universities for selection based on their infrastructure and other requirements necessary for implementing the scheme.How are Central Universities empanelled for this scheme?Central Universities willing and capable of providing coaching apply online to DAF. The Selection Committee considers their applications based on specific criteria set by the Ministry.Who is responsible for implementing the 'Free Coaching Scheme'?The scheme is implemented by the Ministry with the assistance of Dr. Ambedkar Foundation (DAF) through Central Universities empanelled under the Scheme.Why is having a valid Aadhar number important for students applying to this scheme?A valid Aadhar number is essential as the payment will be disbursed to the Aadhar-seeded bank account of the student.What is the income limit for students to be eligible for this scheme?Students belonging to SCs and OBCs with a total family income of Rs. 8.00 lakh or less per annum from all sources are eligible.Sources And ReferencesGuidelinesFAQsContact UsOkWas this helpful?News and UpdatesNo new news and updates availableShareSomething went wrong. Please try again later.OkYou need to sign in before applying for schemesCancelSign InSomething went wrong. 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