## F.No. 17011/02/2015 - Education Government of India Ministry of Tribal Affairs

New Delhi, dated 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 2016

## The Registrar/Administrator (As per list of institutes attached)

Subject: Submission of applications for scholarships under Top Class Education of ST students.

## Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to this Ministry's letter of even number dated 07.07.2015 on the above subject wherein it was stated that consequent upon the on-boarding of this Ministry's scheme "Top Class Education for ST Students" on the National Scholarship Portal, all applications, in both fresh as well as renewal cases, are to be submitted online only. However, it has been observed that the Portal is yet to stabilise resulting in many problems being reported by both the institutes as well as the students. After these problems were taken up with the portal developers and the Department of Electronics and Information Technology (DeITy), this Ministry has now been advised that the portal will handle only the cases of those students who have joined the first year of their course of study in the current academic year i.e. 2015-16. All other cases pertaining to renewal or earlier admissions will have to be processed in the Ministry in the conventional manner.

You are requested to take action accordingly and forward to this Ministry the hard copy of applications for scholarships of ST students in all renewal cases as was being done in the previous years.

Yours faithfully

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