

Government of Tripura  
Directorate of Higher Education  
Agartala, Tripura

No.F.14(4-8)DHE/Stip/25

Dated, 03/01/2026

To  
Principal / Principal In-Charge

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Subject:- Ensuring timely submission of applications under the "**Cash in lieu of Free Text Book**" scheme for ST students in General Degree Colleges for the FY 2025-26 - regarding.

Sir/Madam,

In inviting a reference to the subject cited above, I am directed to forward herewith a letter as received from the Directorate of Tribal Welfare, Govt. of Tripura, P.N. Complex, Gurkhabasti, Agartala, vide No. F.No.14-2/TW/FTB/2025-26(L), dated 31st December, 2025 (**copy enclosed**) regarding ensuring timely submission of applications under the "Cash in lieu of Free Text Book" scheme for ST students in General Degree Colleges through the Beneficiary Management Ecosystem (BMS) portal (<https://bms.tripura.gov.in>) for the financial year 2025-26 .which is self explanatory.

In this regard, the authorities of all concerned colleges are hereby requested to take all necessary steps to spread awareness about the scheme among eligible students through both online and offline modes of communication and requested to expedite the verification of the applications submitted on the BMS portal and to instruct the Institute Nodal Officers (INOs) to verify the applications prudently and within the prescribed timeline.

Yours faithfully

Digitally signed by  
Animesh Debbarma  
Date: 03-01-2026  
17:54:46

(Animesh Debbarma, TCS,SSG)  
Director of Higher Education  
Tripura

Copy to:

1. The Director, Tribal Welfare Department, P.N Complex, Gurkhabasti, Agartala, Tripura for kind information.



GOVERNMENT OF TRIPURA  
DIRECTORATE OF TRIBAL WELFARE  
P.N. COMPLEX, GURKHABASTI, AGARTALA.



To  
The Director,  
Higher Education Department  
Government of Tripura.

**Subject:** Timely submission of applications under the “**Cash in lieu of Free Text Book**” Scheme by eligible ST Students for FY 2025–2026.

Sir,

Enclosed is a notification regarding the ongoing online submission of applications under the “*Cash in lieu of Free Text Book*” Scheme for Scheduled Tribe (ST) students from Class IX to Degree level (General Degree Colleges) through the Beneficiary Management Ecosystem (BMS) Portal for the financial year 2025–2026.

2. It has been observed that the response from General Degree Colleges has been considerably low. Out of 24 Government General Degree Colleges, applications have so far been received from only four institutions, namely Bir Bikram Memorial College, Government Degree College Khumulwng, Iswar Chandra Vidyasagar College, and Dasarath Deb Memorial College. This indicates that a substantial number of eligible students may remain uncovered due to inadequate dissemination of information and limited support from Institutional Nodal Officers (INOs).
3. In view of the above, all Heads of Institutions and INOs are requested to ensure that eligible ST students are duly informed about the scheme and assisted in submitting their applications through the BMS Portal within the stipulated timeline, so that no student is deprived of the scheme’s benefits. Detailed instructions for the application process are enclosed at *Annexure-I* for ready reference.
4. The BMS Portal will remain open for receiving applications from INOs till **20th January 2026**. For any technical issues, INOs may contact the concerned District Tribal Welfare Officer (DTWO) or Sub-Divisional Tribal Welfare Officer (SDTWO).

In this regard, it is requested kindly to bring the foregoing information to the immediate attention of all concerned.

Yours faithfully,  
Signed by

Subhasis Das

(Subhasis Das 10/01/2025 ₹7,550/-)  
Director of Tribal Welfare

Copy to:

1. The P.S. to the Secretary, Tribal Welfare, Government of Tripura, for kind information of the Secretary.
2. All District Tribal Welfare Officers of Tripura for information and necessary action pls.
3. All District Education Officers of Tripura for information and necessary action pls.
4. All SDTWOs of Tripura for information and necessary action pls.

## **Annexure-I**

### **Instruction for application**

1. All ST students from Class 9 up to General Degree College, irrespective of income criteria, are eligible to apply under the scheme.
2. Students shall submit their applications to their concerned Institute Nodal Officer (INO).
3. Schools that have not been on-boarded on Beneficiary Management Ecosystem are requested to kindly contact with concerned DWOs/ DEOs/ SDWOs for on-boarding in the portal.
4. All the Institute Nodal Officers (INO) of Govt./Govt. Aided/Private Institutes have to submit the students' application through Beneficiary Management System <https://bms.tripura.gov.in>. The link of the same is available at the Departmental website of Tribal Welfare Department (<https://twd.tripura.gov.in/>).
5. Concerned INOs will be given honorarium for every approved application @ Rs.10 (Rupees Ten).
6. All District Nodal Officers (DNOs) shall minutely verify, defect, reject or approve applications regularly within the given timeline.

### **7. Documents required:**

- i) Student Passport size photo.
- ii) ST Certificate.
- iii) Previous Class/ Semester/ Year Marksheets.
- iv) Ration Card No. of family. (Beneficiary name must be enrolled in same Ration Card).
- v) *Bank Account number of the beneficiary.*



**GOVERNMENT OF TRIPURA  
TRIBAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT**

**NOTIFICATION**

In continuation to the earlier Notification issued Vide No.14-2/TW/FTB/2025-26/I/973369/2025 dated 25.09.2025 regarding submission of Online Application under "Cash in lieu of Free Text Book to ST students for Class IX to Degree" (General) through Beneficiary Management System (BMS) portal during the FY 2025-26, the timeline for the following processes shall stand extended as follows:

1	Institute Nodal Officer (INO)	<b>Up to 20<sup>th</sup> January, 2026 (Application should be completed by this period)</b>
2	Verification by the District nodal Officer (DNO)	<b>Up to 30<sup>th</sup> January, 2026 (Verification should be completed by this period)</b>
3	Verification by the State Nodal Officer (SNO)	<b>Up to 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2026 (Verification should be completed by this period)</b>

**General Instruction:**

- i. All concerned shall ensure that the aforementioned timeline is strictly followed.
- ii. The extended timeline shall be widely publicized, and proactive actions shall be taken so that every eligible ST student can take benefit of the Scheme.

Signed by  
Subhasis Das

Date: 04-12-2025 21:36:55  
(Subhasis Das, TCS,SSG)  
Director, Tribal Welfare  
Govt. of Tripura.

**To**  
**All concerned**

**Copy to:-**

1. All District Magistrate and collectors for kind information.
2. All District Tribal Welfare Officers for information and necessary action.
3. All Sub-Divisional Magistrates for information.
4. All Sub-Divisional Tribal Welfare Officer for information and necessary action.