

No. IITH/40/A/2021/RTI/MS
 Dated: 17.08.2021

To

Sub: Disposal of appeal filed under RTI Act, 2005.

Ref: 1.Your RTI application with Reg. No.IITHY/R/E/21/00183,dated.22.06.2021.
 2.Your appeal No. IITHY/A/E/21/00030, Dt.19.07.2021.

Dear Sir/ Madam,

I have gone through your appeal with registration No. IITHY/A/E/21/00030, Dt.19.07.2021 and the reply furnished by the CPIO with reference to your RTI application cited above. Having examined the matter in detail, I sum up my observations as follows.

Information Sought	Information given and details of documents, if any, furnished.
<p>To, Central Public Information Officer IIT Hyderabad</p> <p>Respected sir This is regarding top class education scholarship for SC students. I received the reply from MSJE that our institute had no to submitted Annexure A/B timely, so the ministry is not verifying our application. Please provide details regarding following</p>	<p>No Information Sought.</p>
<p>1.The scholarship procedure is a regular one, so why the problem is occurring with the 18 batch only.</p>	<p>As per the guideline/timeline by Scholarship office, it's an Institute responsibility to verify the student scholarship application details and submit the Annexure – B to the Scholarship Office & institute has submitted the information on time.</p>
<p>2. As per previous information you provided that our institute is coordinating with the ministry regarding scholarship disbursement. Is there any progress in that?</p>	<p>Institute has been continuously sending the proposals and communicating with the Scholarship office through emails. The email copy is attached herewith as Annexure- I & II</p>
<p>3.whom we should take responsible for this situation as the delay is from the institute itself not involving students.</p>	<p>There was no delay from Institute side, as per the guidelines & timeline of scholarship office, institute has been submitting all required information on time. The attachment is enclosed which is being shown the renewal status of 2018 batch during 2019-20 as</p>

	Annexure- III
4. this happened to us in 2019- 20 that ministry rejected our scholarship, stating the reason Application not received anything update regarding this situation.	Institute has shared the required documents & The annexure – B to Scholarship office on 30 th Jan 2020 ,copy is enclosed herewith as Annexure- IV
5. finally, when we are going to receive the scholarship. I am using RTI because not Academic office replies to our mail, not the SC, ST cell reply, and we cannot find any higher authority in the institute to address our concern. Stating the example, one of my friend in NIT Warangal, who is now going in 3rd yr, received his Top class education scholarship for SC in the 1st and 2nd year at the end of each year. I am attaching the reply of RTI from ministry. NSP id-MH201819011569648	You are requested to kindly contact Scholarship office. The scholarship details have been forwarded to the office on 30 th Jan 2020. All annexures will be sent to registered mail ID.

Grounds of the appeal:

Provided Incomplete, Misleading or False Information.

Appeal Text:

As per your reply you are saying the institute sent details timely. But please look into the below-attached document that Ministry rejected our scholarship on Date 17th Jan 2020 stating reason APPLICATION NOT RECEIVED and institute sent the details on 16th Jan 2020 and 30th Jan 2020 how you are saying institute sent details timely as how the courier service will reach the ministry in one day. This clearly shows that delay is from the institute. And No details were provided for the recent academic year 2020-21. Please look into the matter.

Disposal of Appeal:

A. This Institute forwarded two sets of scholarship proposals (Fresh & Renewal cases) for the release of scholarships vide its office letters dated 31.12.2019, which was dispatched on 02.01.2020 via speed post. The details of dispatch are as follows:

Details of proposals sent	Addressee	Speed post Ref. No. & Date
(i)2019 batch (Fresh) Proposals without enclosures	Shri. Aravind Kumar (DBT) O/o.MSJE, N.Delhi for information	EN431604489IN & Dt: 02.01.2020
(ii)2019 batch (Fresh) Proposals with enclosures	Shri Govind Mishra O/o. MSJE, New Delhi	EN431604617IN & Dt: 02.01.2020
(iii)2018, 2017 & 2016 batches (Renewal) Proposals without enclosures	Shri. Aravind Kumar (DBT) O/o.MSJE, N.Delhi for information	EN431664360IN & Dt: 02.01.2020
(iv)2018, 2017 & 2016 batches (Renewal) Proposals with enclosures	Shri Govind Mishra O/o. MSJE, New Delhi	EN431604342IN & Dt: 02.01.2020

B. In view of 'A' above, it is confirmed that the proposals were sent on 31.12.2019. However, during 2nd week we contacted one of the staff at MSJE over phone to check and confirm if they had received the proposals or not. The Ministry official asked to resend the documents once again. Hence, we re-sent the proposals vide letter dated 16.1.2020 for the second time.

C. The renewal proposals of 2018, 2017 & 2016 batches referred in 'A' at (iv) were separately bundled (year wise) and were sent together in a single packet (for 2018, 2017 & 2016). The proposals of 2017 & 2016 batches were processed and the students got their scholarships released but the Scholarship for 2018 batch were not processed by the MSJE (Ministry).

D. The Ministry sought the pending releases details vide emails dated 24.4.2020, 17.8.2020 and 9.9.2020 wherein we promptly provided all the details of pending payments vide our letters dated 25.4.2020, 27.8.2020 and 16.10.2020 respectively. If the Ministry had already rejected the applications, then there was no need to ask the Institute to provide the details of pending scholarships to enable the release.

E. On introduction of National Scholarship Portal, all the government scholarship agencies have insisted on receiving applications only through NSP and completely dispensed with the hardcopy proposals system. Though MSJE stressed on receiving applications through NSP only, there was an oral discussion in a meeting that they wanted hardcopy proposals only for the batches of pre-NSP regime. As such the 2018 batch students have applied in NSP and received their 1st year scholarship, their applications are already streamlined in the NSP portal. However, on the pretext that hardcopy applications are not received, rejecting the application of student does not seem valid.

F. As per Scholarship guidelines notified by the Ministry, the scholarship, once awarded, will continue till the completion of the course, subject to satisfactory performance of the student.

G. Accordingly, your appeal cited above stands disposed of.

H. Appeal against the decision of the Appellate Authority lies with the Central Information Commission, Room No.326, 'C' Wing, II Floor, August Kranti Bhawan, Bhikaji Cama Place, New Delhi- 110 066.

Yours faithfully,



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