F. No. 2/37(2)/2014-SS Government of India Ministry of Minority Affairs

Paryavaran Bhawan, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi - 110003 Dated 22.08.2014

To

The Principal Secretary/Secretary, All State Governments/UT Administrations of

Subject: Removal of requirement of Affidavits for Minority Community availing Certification for Income and Certification Scholarships- regarding

Sir/Madam,

It has been decided with the approval of Competent Authority in the Ministry that requirement of submission of Affidavit towards (i) Community Certificate and (ii) Income certificate under Pre-matric, Post-matric, and Merit-cum-Means based Scholarship Scheme for students belonging to the notified minority communities have been done away with immediate effect. However, this may not apply for application already received by the State Government/UT Administration under these Schemes.

For Community Certificate, self-certification of the student is sufficient 2. while for income certification, only the certificate issued by the Competent Authority of the State/UT concerned will be accepted.

It is requested that necessary directions may be issued by the State 3. Government/UT Administration in this regard.

Documentation under the Scholarship Schemes for students belonging 4. to the minority community also stands amended.

Yours faithfully,

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Copy to:

1. PS to Hon'ble Minister (MA)

2. Sr. PPS to Secretary (MA)

3. PS to Joint Secretary (SS)

4. PPS to Joint Secretary (A&P)

5. Tech. Director (NIC) with the request to upload the letter on the web site of this Ministry in Whats New as well as in the Scheme guidelines of all three Scholarship Schemes.