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Subject: REWA 2.0- Financial assistance to eligible candidates of UT of Ladakh for coaching in reputed coaching centres to prepare for the UPSC Civil Service Prelims. Exam – reg.

Order No. 32/(HE)/UTL of 2024
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Sanction is hereby accorded to the adoption of a scheme “**REWA 2.0- Financial Assistance to the Eligible Candidates of UT of Ladakh**” for availing coaching to prepare for the UPSC Civil Services Preliminary Exam through the Higher Education Department, UT Ladakh as per the following terms, conditions & eligibility criteria:

A. BACKGROUND:

The Administration of Union Territory of Ladakh is committed towards upholding the highest standards of governance and a crucial element of this commitment is to ensure robust local representation in administrative bodies. Local representation not only promotes inclusivity and equity but also ensures that governance is reflective of the unique needs, aspirations and culture of the region.

In order to achieve this vision, it is imperative to inspire and prepare the youth of Ladakh to pursue careers in Civil Services. The Civil Services provide an opportunity for young citizens to contribute to nation-building, uphold democratic values and bring about positive change in their communities.

To enhance the representation of the Union Territory (UT) of Ladakh in the Civil Services of the country, including All India and Central Services, it is critical to empower the young aspirants from the region with the requisite knowledge, skills and resources needed to succeed. The UT Administration is committed towards extending support to the bright young aspirants who otherwise may face financial hurdles and challenges in pursuing a career in the Civil Services.

B. OBJECTIVE OF THE SCHEME:

This scheme aims to provide financial assistance for Ladakh domiciled candidates so that they can avail a good coaching facility to enable them to appear in Civil Services Examinations conducted by the Union Public Service Commission.

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C. IMPLEMENTING DEPARTMENT:

The Department of Higher Education, under the Administration of Union Territory of Ladakh, shall be the Nodal Department for implementing this scheme.

D. SCHEME DETAILS:

Every year, through a screening process, eighty (80) aspirants from Ladakh would be selected, forty (40) each from Leh District and Kargil District through a written screening test. Further, two (2) seats shall be reserved in the quota of each District for Persons with Disability.

1. These selected eighty (80) candidates from Ladakh would be provided financial assistance to undergo requisite coaching in reputed Coaching Centres in the country to prepare them to appear for the Civil Services Preliminary Examination conducted by UPSC.
2. The scheme shall cover the expenditure towards the 'Coaching/ Tuition fee' and accommodation for a period upto six (6) months @ Rs.3,000/- per month.

E. ELIGIBILITY:

The applicant:

1. should be a graduate and a domicile of Ladakh;
2. must have completed twenty one (21) years of age and not completed thirty six (36) years as on 1st of January of the year when the applications are invited; and
3. must have a family income of not more than Rs 8.00 lakh per annum.

F. SELECTION PROCESS:

1. A combined selection test shall be conducted by the Department of Higher Education every year in the month of November (First Sunday) for both the Districts and the merit list shall be drawn separately for both the Districts.
2. The selection process shall involve a Written Test on the pattern of UPSC's Preliminary Examination.

G. PROCEDURE & BENEFITS UNDER THE SCHEME:

1. These eighty (80) candidates shall be eligible to receive financial assistance to the tune of Rs.1.18 lakh each.
2. The financial assistance shall have two (2) components i.e. Rs.100,000/- towards the 'coaching/ tuition fee' of the Coaching Institute and Rs.18,000/- towards the rental for accommodation for six (6) months.
3. The admission in the 'Coaching Institute' has to be undertaken within two (2) months of the date of declaration of the merit list.
4. On the verification of the admission of the candidate in a reputed Coaching Centre, a part of the Coaching Fee shall be transferred into the Bank Account of the respective 'Coaching Institute' and the balance amount will be transferred on successful completion of half of the coaching period.
5. The financial assistance upto Rs.18,000/- (Rs.3,000 x 6 months), towards the accommodation expenses, shall be transferred directly to the account of the beneficiary against an affidavit filed by the candidate.

H. TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

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1. Financial benefits under this scheme will be given to a candidate **only once**. However, if the candidate appears in and clears the Preliminary Test, she/he may avail benefit (for preparation of the Main Examination) under the existing REWA Scheme (now to be christened as *REWA-1.0*), namely the Lieutenant Governor's Students Support Initiative – Financial Assistance to Meritorious students of UT of Ladakh.
2. The beneficiary will be free to select any coaching institute of his/her own choice. **However, the coaching institute shall have to be registered and should have a valid GST Number.** The Department of Higher Education UT Ladakh may also publish a suggestive list of reputed Coaching Centres for UPSC's CSE Preliminary Exams based on their success rate in the past.
3. **Candidate Attendance & Performance Monitoring System:** The Higher Education Department shall maintain/form a cell/team dedicated to monitor the performance record for these sponsored candidates. For each beneficiary, details of class attendance and performance in class tests/mock tests/test series shall be maintained and monitored.
4. The candidates, after availing of this financial assistance, **must** appear in the forthcoming Civil Services Prelims Examination which is generally conducted by UPSC on the first Sunday of the month of June every year. In case any candidate does not appear for the upcoming Preliminary Test of UPSC-CSE, the entire assistance availed by him/her shall be recovered from him/her.

Issued with approval of the competent authority

Bhanu Prabha
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