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Technical Education – Announcement made by Hon'ble Minister for Higher Education during 2017 - 2018 - Post Graduate Assistantship to 600 Non GATE PG students admitted in six Government Engineering Colleges from the year 2017-18 onwards, with an assistantship of Rs.6000/- per month - Orders - issued.

Higher Education (J1) Department

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Read:

1. Announcement made by the Hon'ble Minister for Higher Education for the year 2017-18 dated 15.06.2017.
2. From the Commissioner of Technical Education letter No. 25452/H3/2017 dated 19.7.2017.

ORDER:

During the Budget session 2017-2018, an announcement was made by the Hon'ble Minister for Higher Education on 15.6.2017 in the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly regarding "Grant of PG Assistantship to the Post Graduate Students studying in Government Engineering Colleges" in order to encourage the bright students continuously to opt for Teaching profession and Research and Scaling-up Post Graduate Education, demand-driven Research & Development and Innovation.

2. The Commissioner of Technical Education, in the letter second read above, has stated that there are totally, 10 Government Engineering Colleges in Tamil Nadu. Out of 10 Colleges, P.G courses are offered only in 5 Government Engineering Colleges in Coimbatore, Karaikudi, Salem, Tirunelveli and Vellore. The GATE qualified students admitted in the Post Graduate Courses offered in Engineering Colleges are getting GATE stipend of Rs.12,400 per month. But, there is no provision available for payment of any stipend for NON-GATE students admitted in PG courses in the above Colleges. However, out of the five Engineering Colleges offering PG courses, only three Government Engineering Colleges having TEQIP Programme alone were offering PG Teaching Assistantship of Rs.6,000 per month to NON GATE students admitted in PG courses from the TEQIP fund from the year July 2012. But, the TEQIP scheme was

closed on 31.3.2017 and hence there is no provision available at present to grant any PG assistantship to NON-GATE Students from the TEQIP fund after 31.03.2017, even in those three Engineering Colleges. The Commissioner of Technical Education has sent the following particulars:-

(A) BUDGET REQUIREMENT TOWARDS PAYMENT OF PG ASSISTANTSHIP TO ELIGIBLE NON GATE STUDENTS :

There are 5 Government Engineering Colleges offering PG courses in Tamil Nadu. Based on another Announcement made by the Hon'ble Minister for Higher Education in the Legislative Assembly on 15.06.2017, it is also proposed to start 3 PG courses in Government College of Engineering, Bargur from the academic year 2017-18 onwards. Including Government College of Engineering, Bargur, 6 Government Engineering Colleges will be offering PG courses in Engineering subjects in Tamil Nadu from the year 2017-18 onwards.

The details of PG courses offered with approved intake are furnished in **TABLE - 1** below:

TABLE - I

DETAILS OF PG COURSES OFFERED WITH APPROVED INTAKE													
No	Course	GCE Bargur		GCE Tirunelveli		GCE Salem		GCT Coimbatore		ACCET Karaikudi		TPGIT Vellore	
		INTAKE		INTAKE		INTAKE		INTAKE		INTAKE		INTAKE	
		YEAR		YEAR		YEAR		YEAR		YEAR		YEAR	
		I	II	I	II	I	II	I	II	I	II	I	II
1	M.E Structural Engineering			18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18		
2	M.E Environmental Engineering							18	18	18	18		
3	M.E Geo Technical Engineering							18	18				
4	M.E CAD					18	18			18	18		
5	M.E Engineering Design			18	18			18	18				
6	M.E Manufacturing Engineering							18	18	18	18	18	18
7	M.E Thermal Engineering					18	18	18	18				

8	M.E	Welding Technology					18	18						
9	M.E	Power System Engineering							18	18				
10	M.E	Power Electronics & Drives	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18		
11	M.E	Optical Communication									18	18		
12	M.E	Applied Electronics	18	18					18	18			18	18
13	M.E	VLSI Design							18	18				
14	M.E	Communication Systems			18	18								
15	M.E	Computer Science and Engg.	18	18	18	18			18	18				
Total			54	54	90	90	90	90	198	198	108	108	36	36
GRAND TOTAL			108	180	180	180	396	216	72					

Annual Recurring Expenditure required towards grant of Post Graduate Assistantship at Rs.6,000/- per month for second year PG students who were admitted in first year during 2016-17 and first year PG students proposed to be admitted during 2017-18 in 6 Government Engineering Colleges is furnished in **TABLE-II**

Sl. No.	Government Engineering Colleges at	No. of PG Courses offered	Sanctioned intake per year for each course	Total approved intake for I and II Years	PG Assistantship per month (in Rupees.)	Total Assistantship per year (Rs in crore)
1	Coimbatore	11	18	396	6,000	2.851
2	Karaikudi	6	18	216	6,000	1.555
3	Salem	5	18	180	6,000	1.296
4	Tirunelveli	5	18	180	6,000	1.296

5	Vellore	2	18	072	6,000	0.518
6	Bargur	3	18	108	6,000	0.777
					Total	8.293

The Post Graduate Students getting above assistantship will also be engaged in Academic and Research activities of the Institution judiciously. The Financial Commitment to the Government towards payment of PG stipend is subject to a maximum of Rs. 8.29 crore per year as detailed in TABLE-1 above. Depending upon the number of GATE, NON GATE students admitted and vacant seats, the amount required towards PG Assistantship will vary every year subject to a maximum requirement of Rs.8.29 crore per year.

(B) REQUIREMENTS FOR GRANT OF PG ASSISTANTSHIP FOR NON GATE STUDENTS :

The following requirements are to be implemented in order to enhance the quality of education and encourage the students in their studies:

1. This scheme should be made applicable only to NON GATE PG students admitted in Government Engineering Colleges through Single Window Counselling every year.
2. This scheme should be made applicable to NON GATE students admitted in PG courses (M.E/M.Tech) in Engineering Subjects only.

(C) MODE OF PAYMENT OF PG ASSISTANTSHIP TO THE ELIGIBLE NON GATE STUDENTS :

In order to provide quality education and also encourage the PG students to concentrate on their studies without depending on their poor parents for any financial assistance and also motivate them to engage on Research activities, Commissioner of Technical Education has also recommended to the Government to make necessary Budgetary provisions for the above 6 Block Grant institutions in the appropriate Head of Account every year to remit the PG assistantship amount to the eligible NON GATE students in their respective Nationalized Bank Savings Accounts linked with AADHAAR Number through ECS mode every month on the same day of salary disbursement in line with the existing guidelines already adopted for salary disbursement to faculty and staff of the respective Colleges.

The Commissioner of Technical Education has therefore requested the Government to make necessary Budgetary provisions for 6 Block Grant institutions offering PG

courses in the appropriate Head of Account every year for timely disbursement of the PG assistantship to the eligible NON GATE PG students.

3. The Government after careful examination of the proposal of Commissioner of Technical Education in para 2 above:-

(a). Sanction a sum of Rs. 432.00 lakh (Rupees four crore thirty two lakh only) every year to the Commissioner of Technical Education towards PG Assistantship to 600 (six hundred) Non GATE PG students admitted (first year students – 300, second year students – 300) in the following six Government Engineering Colleges through Single Window Counselling from the year 2017-18 onwards, with an assistantship of Rs.6000/- per month:-

- i. Government College of Technology, Coimbatore.
- ii. Alagappa Chettiar College of Engineering and Technology, Karaikudi.
- iii. Government College of Engineering, Salem.
- iv. Government College of Engineering, Tirunelveli.
- v. Thanthai Periyar Government Institute of Technology, Vellore
- vi. Government College of Engineering, Bargur

(b). Direct the Commissioner of Technical Education to select the top 300 first year students for PG Assistantship, as per Tamil Nadu Common Entrance Test (TANCET) rank secured, distributed across categories. Out of these 300 students, the TANCET top ranked students in each of the following categories shall be selected as follows:-

General	- 93
Back ward Class	- 90
Most Backward Class	- 60
Scheduled Class	- 54
Scheduled Tribes	- 03

(Sub categories (BCM, DNC, SCA) may be included within these categories as per existing policy.)

These 300 first year students shall be eligible to draw the PG Assistantship in the second year provided, they do not carry any arrears from first year to second year. The students availing the PG Assistantship shall assist the faculty in teaching UG students and take up research work. They should publish articles in National & International Journals.

4. The amount sanctioned in para 3 above shall be debited under the following head of account:-

“ 2203 – 00 Technical Education – 112 Engineering / Technical Colleges and Institutes – State’s Expenditure – AI Assistance to Post Graduate Students – 12 Scholarships and Stipends – 09 Others” (DPC: 2203 00 112 – AI - 1294).

5. The expenditure sanctioned in para 3 above constitutes an item of "New Service". The approval of Legislature will be obtained in due course. Pending approval of the Legislature, the expenditure may be initially met by drawal of an advance from the Contingency Fund. The Commissioner of Technical Education is directed to calculate the actual amount required for the period upto next supplementary estimates and apply for sanction of the same as advance from the Contingency Fund to Finance (BG-I) Department directly in Form 'A' appended to the Tamil Nadu Contingency Fund Rules, 1963 along with a copy of this order for disbursement. Orders for sanction of advance from the Contingency Fund will be issued from Finance (BG-I) Department. He is also requested to send necessary explanatory notes for inclusion of the above expenditure in the Supplementary Estimates 2017-2018 to Finance (Edn-I) Department at an appropriate time without fail.

6. The Commissioner of Technical Education is the Estimating, Reconciling and controlling authority for the above new head of account. The Pay and Accounts Officer / Treasury Officer concerned are directed to open the above new head of account in their books.

7. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O. No. 3830/ Edn -I/ 2018, dated. 24.1.2018 and ASL No. 2565 (Two thousand five hundred and sixty five).

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

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To

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The Principal of the concerned Engineering Colleges

(through the Commissioner of Technical Education)

The Registrar, Anna University, Chennai -25.

The Pay and Accounts Officer (South), Chennai -35

The Accountant General, Chennai -18

The concerned Treasury Officers

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The Resident Audit Officer, O/o Principal Accountant General, Secretariat, Chennai -9

The Hon'ble Chief Minister's Office, Chennai -9

The Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister's Office, Chennai -9.

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25/1/2018
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