28. Registrar, Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT), IIFT Bhawan, B-21, Qutub Institutional Area, New Delhi-110016.

Sub.:- Regarding Operationalization of National Scholarship Portal Version 2.0 (NSP 2.0).

Sir, Madam,

As you are aware that the Government of India has taken a decision as a key initiative under 'Digital India' programme to process scholarships of Central Ministries/ Department electronically with payment released to the account of students directly. For the purpose, the revamped National Scholarship Portal (NSP 2.0) have been launched w.e.f. 01/07/2016 by GOI. Accordingly, to streamline the scholarship disbursal process during the current academic session all scholarship schemes are to be implemented on DBT through the revamped portal using **Aadhaar as unique identifier for students**. In this regard, the letters in respect of Central Sector Scheme of Scholarship for College and University Students (of MHRD) have already been circulated; this scheme is directly implemented by Colleges and Universities.

Now, the Secretary, Department for the Welfare of SC/ST/OBC, GNCTD vide his D.O.letter dated 31/08/2016 (copy enclosed) has desired immediate actions regarding online scholarship schemes sponsored by Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India. In this regard, as you are already aware that the Directorate of Higher Education implements one such scheme, namely, **Post Matric Scholarship for SC & OBC** students. Further, the DBT Mission vide its letter dated 15/07/2016, has suggested below mentioned actions to ensure successful on boarding schemes and seamless disbursal of scholarship through the portal:

i) Student will register at NSP portal to get the Login Credentials and fill-up the entry form by entering complete details to get the registration id.

ii) A single and simple form, common for all scholarships has been designed for registration of beneficiary on the portal capturing the basic details along with the details of Aadhaar and Bank account of the students.

iii) Head of Institutions will ensure seeding of Aadhaar and Bank Accounts by the students of their respective Institutions **before 12/09/2016**. In case of non-availability of Aadhaar by a large section of students, efforts may be made by the Institutions to organize Aadhaar enrollment camp. However, students may also be encouraged to get enrolled for Aadhaar at the Permanent Enrollment Centers (details of these centers are available on http://resident.uidai.net.in).

iv) Records filled by students will automatically appear under the login of respective College/ Institutes/ University. The Head/ Principal/ Registrar of concerned Institutes shall enter the portal with their login credentials in order to examine the beneficiary details and shall validate, authorize and approve the student records within a period of 30 days using their **Digital Signature and submit the validated data at the NSP portal**. For the purpose, Head of all Institutions shall ensure procurement of Digital Signature, if not available with them yet, by 15/09/2016.