Sub: Revised Scheme of grant of stipend to the students up coming in the field of sports activities.

Sir,

The Sports Promotion Board, vide its circular No. 2/2008 dated 9th April, 2008 has conveyed the decision of the competent authority to increase the number of stipend beneficiaries from 100 to 150 per year as well as to raise the amount of stipend to Rs. 3000/- p.m. for the age group of 15 to 21 years and Rs. 5000/- p.m. for 21 to 24 years, effective from 1st April, 2008.

2. With the increases in the number of scholarships and stipend amount, the ZSPCs & HQSPC are requested to induct budding sports persons in strict compliance both in letter and spirit of the guidelines as laid down in the scholarship scheme of the Corporation. The eligibility criteria as per the existing scholarship scheme is reiterated for the benefit of all concerned.

Academic

(i) The scholarship is available to the students in the age group of 15 to 21 years and 21 to 24 years.

(ii) Cases of talented sportspersons from Rural/Tribal areas who are not students may also be taken into consideration for award of scholarships.

Sports

(a) Individual events:- The scholarship shall be awarded to such persons who secure 1st, 2nd or 3rd place in National School Games, Junior/Senior National Championships, All India Inter-University tournaments, Athletics, Badminton, Powerlifting, Swimming, Table Tennis and Weightlifting comes under this category.
(b) Team Games:- The Scholarship shall be awarded to such persons whose individual performance is exemplary in National School Games, Junior/Senior National Championships, All India Inter-University tournaments even though their teams may not have secured 1st to 3rd place. Cricket, Hockey and Football comes under this category.

Needless to mention, the eligibility criteria is to be assessed on current performance and not on past achievements.

3. The above requirements along with others indicated in SPB circular No. 120-26 (11)/96-SPB dated 26.03.1996 have to be strictly complied with while inducting sports persons. In order to get hold of the best available talent, it is advised that while inducting budding sports persons, a brief advertisement is given in the Press through PR Division of Zonal Office stating to visit your website for eligibility criteria and other details. SPB may be kept fully apprised in the matter to enable it to maintain record of stipend holders under the Scheme.

Yours faithfully

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