



**GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
HANDLOOMS, TEXTILES & HANDICRAFTS DEPARTMENT**

NOTIFICATION

No. **1249** /HT&H, Bhubaneswar dated the **26th February, 2024**
HTH-HCS-MISC-0013-2024

In recognition of unparalleled contributions of weavers & ancillary workers and handicraft artisans of the state, towards preserving the rich heritage and craftsmanship in Handlooms & Handicrafts, the State Government has introduced the scheme, "*Mukhyamantri Baristha Bunakar & Karigara Sahayata Yojana*" with effect from 1st February, 2024 vide this Department Notification No. 963/HT&H dated 17.02.2024 (Copy enclosed) with an objective to provide sustenance and support to the weavers & ancillary workers and handicraft artisans.

Now the Government has been pleased to approve the detailed Guidelines of the scheme "*Mukhyamantri Baristha Bunakar & Karigara Sahayata Yojana*" (attached as Annexure-A) for circulation among all concerned for implementation of the scheme.

ORDER:- Ordered that the Notification be published in the next issue of Odisha Gazette.

By order of Governor

(Dr. Arabinda Kumar Padhee)
Principal Secretary to Government
26.02.2024

Memo No. 1250 /HT&H, Bhubaneswar dated the 26th February, 2024

Copy forwarded to the Director of Printing Stationery and Publication, Odisha, Cuttack with a request to kindly publish the resolution in the extra ordinary issue of the Odisha Gazette and supply 100 copies to this Department.

26/02/2024
Additional Secretary to Government

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26/02/2024
Additional Secretary to Government

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Additional Secretary to Government

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Additional Secretary to Government

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Additional Secretary to Government

Memo No. 1256 /HT&H, Bhubaneswar dated the 26th February, 2024

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Additional Secretary to Government

Memo No. 1257 /HT&H, Bhubaneswar dated the 26th February, 2024

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Additional Secretary to Government

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Additional Secretary to Government

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Additional Secretary to Government

**SCHEME GUIDELINES FOR
MUKHYAMANTRI BARISHTA BUNAKAR AND KARIGAR SAHAYATA YOJANA**

1. **Introduction:-**Odisha has a rich heritage of craftsmanship, which has helped in preserving the culture of the State. The creativity and innovation of weavers & ancillary workers and artisans of the State have received worldwide appreciation. The richness of the traditional Handloom & Handicraft Sectors of the State can be seen from the fact that it is one of the major recipient States of National Awards, National Merit Certificates, / Sant Kabir Awards and *Shilpi Guru Award*, etc. The State Govt. also felicitates outstanding weavers & artisans by conferring upon them Life time achievement award, State Handloom/Handicraft Awards and Tantakruti / Kalakruti Awards etc. The State Govt. also has various schemes for skill up-gradation, design innovation and welfare of the weavers & artisans. Despite this, due to nature of their craft, with old age and weakening eyesight, some weavers & artisans find it difficult to continue the profession. Therefore Govt. of Odisha have decided now to provide financial assistance to weavers & ancillary workers and artisans of the State in order to reduce such difficulties.
2. **Name of the Scheme:-** The programme will be implemented as a new Scheme named "***Mukhyamantri Barishta Bunakar and Karigar Sahayata Yojana***".
3. **Objective:-** The Scheme envisages the following objectives:-
 - i. To provide social security to the barishta bunakar and karigar of the state & to ensure them a decent level of living.
 - ii. To enable him/her free from additional financial burden due to illness, injury, need for care, unemployment & other unforeseen expenses, etc.
 - iii. To take care of old age and other consequences resulting therefrom
4. **Extent:** This shall be applicable throughout the State of Odisha.
5. **Commencement:** It shall come into force from the date as notified by the Government.
6. **Definition:-**
 - i. **Handicraft Artisan (*Hastashilpa Karigara*):** Any person engaged in/ practicing handicrafts* production as a primary/ predominant source of his/her livelihood.

**Handicrafts will include 51 nos. of crafts notified by the Govt. of Odisha in Odisha Handicrafts Policy-2019 vide HT&H Department Notification No.801 dtd.07.02.2019 and HT&H Department Resolution No.8307/dtd.20.12.2022 or such crafts as may be notified from time to time.*
 - ii. **Handloom Weaver (*Hastatanta Bunakara*):** Any person who has operated / is operating a handloom (not power loom) to weave fabric either within the premises of his/her house or outside his/her household premises.
 - iii. **Ancillary worker:** Any person who has undertaken/ is undertaking pre-loom activities like winding, warping, dyeing, tying and dyeing, sizing, loom setting,

manual card punching etc. and/ or post loom activities like calendering either within the premises of his / her house or outside his / her household premises.

7. Eligibility Criteria:

- i. He/ She must be a permanent resident/domicile of Odisha.
- ii. Weavers & Ancillary Workers and Handicraft Artisans to be eligible for assistance under the scheme should be 40 years & above in case of female and 50 years & above in case of male.
- iii. His/her name must be in the final list of weavers & ancillary workers and artisans as per the latest survey. The National awardees, State awardees, Kalakruti awardees, Tantakruti Awardees including Design/ Merit certificate awardees in Handloom & Handicraft sectors will also be eligible irrespective of their names placed in the above survey list, if they are otherwise eligible. The beneficiaries out of above survey list may be screened further by HT&H Department officials in the district or other such officer as would be appointed by the District Collector.
- iv. Only one member of the family shall be eligible to get the assistance under this Scheme irrespective of the number of family members fulfilling the eligibility criteria.
- v. The annual income of the family should not exceed **Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh)** The Income Certificate issued by Concerned Tahasildar/ Additional Tahasildar or any other competent authority of Revenue Department is acceptable.
- vi. Govt. employees, Income Tax payers, Retired Govt. employees of Govt. of India and/or any State Government will not be eligible to get the assistance from the scheme.
- vii. A Handloom weaver/ Ancillary worker/ Handicraft Artisan will not be eligible if he/ she is availing similar benefits under any other scheme of the State Government like Madhubabu Pension Yojana, Mukhyamantri Kalakar Sahayata Yojana, etc., and any other scheme of Government of India.
- viii. A Handloom weaver/ Ancillary worker/ Handicraft Artisan will not be eligible if he/ she has been convicted of any criminal offence.
- ix. Financial Assistance under this scheme to a beneficiary shall be effective from the date of approval of District Level Selection Committee.

8. Quantum of Assistance: -

The financial assistance for weavers & ancillary workers /handicraft artisan shall be as follows;

SI No	Category	Age of the beneficiary	Quantum of Assistance (in Rs)
1	Female	More than 40 Yrs to less than 80 Yrs	2000
2	Male	More than 50 Yrs to less than 80 Yrs	2000
3	Both Female & Male	80 Yrs or more	2500

9. Implementing Agency:

The Directorate of Textiles, Odisha and Directorate of Handicrafts, Odisha will be the Implementing Agencies for the Scheme in respect of weavers/ ancillary workers and handicraft artisans respectively.

10. Procedure of Selection of beneficiaries:

- i. **Awareness about the Scheme:** The Director of Textiles & Handlooms, Odisha and the Director of Handicrafts, Odisha shall create awareness about the scheme through print and electronic media.
- ii. **Submission of Application:** Online Application in the prescribed format (Annexure-I) along with required documents shall be submitted through a designated application portal to be developed and notified by HT&H Department subsequently with detailed procedure. The web portal will remain open throughout the year for submission of application from eligible weavers/ ancillary workers and handicraft artisans. After required scrutiny the qualified applications shall be placed before the District Level Selection Committee on quarterly basis. Beneficiary once enrolled and received assistance under this scheme, need not apply again.
- iii. **List of Documents to be submitted:** The following list of Documents are to be submitted/ uploaded along with the application form.
 - a. Recent passport size colour photograph of the applicant.
 - b. Self attested Xerox copy of the 1st page of the individual Aadhar seeded Savings Bank passbook showing photograph, full name, name of father/ spouse, address, Bank Branch, Account Number and IFSC details in which the assistance will be deposited. Account must be in the name of the applicant as submitted in the application form. Account must be opened in a Bank with Core-Banking facility to enable digital transfer of assistance.
 - c. Annual income certificate from the concerned Tahasildar/ Additional Tahasildar or any other competent authority of Revenue Department.
 - d. Wherever applicable, self attested copy of Award certificates if any, received from Govt. of India or Government of Odisha. (if name of the applicant is not incorporated in respective survey list)
 - e. A self declaration in the prescribed format attached to the application form. The declaration should include the followings:-
 - that he/she is not in receipt of any other similar financial assistance/pension from the State or Central Government.
 - That if after receiving the benefit, the information provided by him/her is found to be false or erroneous or he/she is found to be ineligible to get the benefit subsequently, the disbursed amount shall be recovered from him/her as per OPDR Act 1962.
 - that he/she has not been convicted of any criminal offence.
- iv. **Scrutiny of Applications:**
 - a. The applications will be scrutinized through the online portal after integrating the data with the Database of different social security schemes of other Departments. The qualified applications will be placed before

District Level Section Committee for necessary consideration. If there is any doubtful application, the same will be verified by the District Collector through concerned BDO/ Tahasildar or his/her machineries or any other mechanism as he/she deems fit.

- b. Director of Textiles & Handlooms and Director of Handicrafts should obtain the list of beneficiaries from the office of DC (Handlooms) and DC (Handicrafts) respectively for verification as regard to receipt of similar financial assistance under any scheme of Government of India.
 - c. Physical verification on genuineness of the eligible weavers/ ancillary workers and handicraft artisans shall be done by HT&H Department officials in the district or other such officer as would be appointed by the District Collector.
 - d. After obtaining a report from the offices mentioned in para (a), (b) and (c) above, the qualified applications will be placed before District Level Selection Committee.
- v. **District Level Selection Committee:-**

There shall be a Selection Committee in each District with Collector & District Magistrate or his/her representative as the Chairperson with the following officials as members;

- District Culture Officer -Member
- District Social Security Officer -Member
- DDT/ ADT of the District (for Handloom sector & DDH/ ADH of the District (for Handicraft sector) of the District - Member Convener

Provided that, the Collector & District Magistrate may invite any other officer to the meeting where it is felt expedient to do so for better selection.

The Selection Committee shall scrutinize each application with respect to genuineness of weavers/ ancillary workers and handicraft artisans as per eligibility criteria mentioned in para-7. The Selection shall be finalised and approved by the Committee.

11. Notice Inviting Objection :-

- i. The concerned Joint Director/ Deputy Director/ Assistant of Textiles and Deputy Director (Handicrafts) / Assistant Director (Handicraft) shall publish the list of weaver & ancillary workers and handicraft artisans approved by the District Level Selection Committee in the notice board, website & online portal for inviting objection, if any, within a period of 15 working days from the date of approval by the Selection Committee. In case no objection is received at the end of the specified period, the list of beneficiaries shall be deemed to be approved.
- ii. In case any objection/ objections is/are received, the JDT/DDT/ADT and ADH/ DDH would conduct a physical verification/ enquiry on the disputed application/s and submit his report to the Chairman of the District Level Selection Committee for taking a final decision.

- iii. After compilation of District data, Director of Textiles & Handlooms, Odisha and Director of Handicrafts, Odisha shall notify the final list of beneficiaries on quarterly basis & the final approved list of beneficiaries will be incorporated in the Database maintained at District/ Directorate level.
- iv. After final orders have been issued by the Collector on the cases where objections were received, a composite final list would be approved and a formal order would be issued by the JDT/DDT/ADT and ADH/DDH concerned with the approval of the Collector & DM. Copy of that order shall be submitted to the Directorate concerned.
- v. The remaining list where no objections have been received would be approved.

12. Sanction & disbursement of Assistance:-

- i. Financial Assistance to the eligible beneficiaries under this scheme will be disbursed for each month on 15th of the succeeding month.
- ii. After compilation of District data, Director of Textiles & Handlooms, Odisha and Director of Handicrafts, Odisha will submit a proposal to the Department for sanction of funds on quarterly basis.
- iii. The Directorate of Textiles & Handlooms, Odisha and Directorate of Handicrafts, Odisha will disburse the financial assistance to the approved beneficiaries as per the guideline in IFMS, Odisha.
- iv. After receipt of financial assistance for the first time the beneficiary shall have to submit online/offline Life Certificate in prescribed Form (**Annexure-II**) during the month of October in each subsequent year. Disbursement of financial assistance shall be withheld following non submission of Life Certificate during the stipulated period. Disbursement of benefit along with arrear will resume after submission of life certificate. In case of death of beneficiary, it shall be reported by the family members immediately to the concerned JDT/DDT/ ADT and ADH/DDH, as the case may be.

13. Cancellation of Financial Assistance:- The Financial Assistance granted to the beneficiary shall be cancelled on any of the following grounds.

- i. On his/her death (or)
- ii. On the satisfaction of Director of Textile, Odisha/ Director of Handicrafts, Odisha that information furnished to the District Level Selection Committee was either erroneous, false or inconclusive (or)
- iii. On his/her ceasing to have the eligibilities referred to in Para- 7

*(*In case of excess payment, the same shall be recovered as per provision laid down in OPDR Act 1962)*

14. Centralized Database of the beneficiaries :-

A centralized database of beneficiaries covered under the scheme will be maintained at Director of Textiles/ Director of Handicrafts Odisha and made available in the public domain.

All transaction data will be available on real time basis.

15. General :-

- a. In each financial year, required budgetary provision shall be made available in the Budget of Handlooms, Textiles & Handicrafts Department for allotment to the Directorate of Textiles & Handlooms, Odisha/ Directorate of Handicrafts, Odisha.
- b. The Director of Textiles, Odisha /Directorate of Handicrafts, Odisha will monitor proper implementation of the whole scheme.
- c. The Implementing Agency shall submit MPR on physical and financial achievements to the Directorate of Textiles/ Directorate of Handicrafts, Odisha by 20th of every month. Implementation of the scheme shall be reviewed by the Director of Textiles & Handlooms/ Director, Handicrafts from time to time.

16. Accounting Procedure:-

These Rules shall regulate the accounting procedure relating to the "*Mukhyamantri Baristha Bunakar and Karigara Sahayata Yojana*" (MBBKS^Y).

- i. The Directorate and District Offices shall maintain all required records for future reference & purpose of audit.
- ii. The expenditure shall be debited to the appropriate units under respective Demand.
- iii. The scheme is subject to Audit as per Government norms.

17. Supervision of the Scheme:-

The concerned Director shall review the implementation of the scheme from time to time. Any doubt in interpretation of any provision of these Rules or in administering the same, shall be referred to the HT&H Department for appropriate action.

18. Scheme Period:-

This Scheme will be in force from 01.02.2024 to 31.03.2027. However Govt. may extend the period after reviewing the outcomes of its implementation.


26.02.2024