To

The Principal Secretary,

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Subject:- Extension of date for receipt of application for grant of scholarship for the year 2012-13 under the Pre-matric Scholarship Scheme - reg.

Sir/Madam,

The undersigned is directed to this Ministry's letter of even number dated 27.02.2012 regarding allocation of physical target alongwith the timeline under the Pre-matric scholarship scheme to students belonging to minority communities. As per the timeline for 2012-13 issued to all the States/UTs, last date for receipt of applications from the students to the States/UTs was fixed as 31st August, 2012.

2. Considering representation from various States for extension of time limit for submission of application for Pre-matric Scholarships, it has now been decided with approval of the competent authority to extend the last date for receipt of applications form students by States/UTs for fresh cases upto 30th September, 2012 (in place of 31st August 2012) for Pre-matric Scholarship Scheme and consequently it has also been decided to extend the date of submission of scholarships requirement proposal by the States/UTs to the Ministry upto 31st October, 2012 (in place of 30th September 2012).

3. It is, however, requested that it may be ensured by all States/Union Territory Administrations that applications for Pre-matric Scholarships are received till 30th September 2012. Due publicity may be given to this extension of the last date for the benefit of the eligible students.

Yours faithfully,

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(Pradeep Kumar)

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NIC, Ministry with request to put up a “flash” on the home-page of the Ministry’s website urgently.