

Annexure

Details of the major revisions in the Self Employment Scheme for Rehabilitation of Manual Scavengers (SRMS)

The following modifications have been made in the Scheme:-

S. No.	Component	Pre-revised Provision	Revised Provision
1.	Definition of manual scavenger	A "Scavenger" means one who is partially or wholly engaged in the obnoxious and inhuman occupation of manually removing night soil and filth.	<p>Definition of manual scavenger as per the "Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and their Rehabilitation Act, 2013", which is as under:</p> <p><u>Section 2.(1)(g)</u></p> <p><i>“manual scavenger” means a person engaged or employed, at the commencement of this Act or at any time thereafter, by an individual or a local authority or an agency or a contractor, for manually cleaning, carrying, disposing of, or otherwise handling in any manner, human excreta in an insanitary latrine or in an open drain or pit into which human excreta from the insanitary latrines is disposed of, or on a railway track or in such other spaces or premises, as the Central Government or a State Government may notify, before the excreta fully decomposes in such manner as may be prescribed, and the expression “manual scavenging” shall be interpreted accordingly”.</i></p> <p><i>Explanation. – For the purpose of this Section, -</i></p> <p><i>(a) “engaged or employed” means being engaged or employed on a regular or contract basis;</i></p> <p><i>(b) a person engaged or employed to clean excreta with the help of such</i></p>

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			<i>devises and using such protective gear, as the Central Government may notify in this behalf, shall not be deemed to be a 'manual scavenger'; “</i>										
2.	Cash Assistance	No provision	Cash assistance of Rs. 40,000/-, payable in monthly installments of Rs. 7,000 after the identification of manual scavenger.										
3.	Maximum Project Cost	Rs. 5 lakh	Rs. 10 lakh and Rs.15 lakh, in case of sanitation related projects.										
4	Provision of Capital subsidy based on project cost	<p>Upfront Capital Subsidy:-</p> <p>(i) For projects upto Rs. 25,000 – 50% of project cost</p> <p>(ii) For projects above Rs. 25,000, 25% of project cost, subject to a minimum of Rs. 12,500</p>	<p>Back-end Capital Subsidy as given below:-</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Range of Project Cost (Rs.)</th> <th>Rate of Subsidy</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Upto 2,00,000</td> <td>50% of project cost</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2,00,000 to 5,00,000</td> <td>Rs. 1 lakh + 33.3% of project cost between Rs.2-5 lakh</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5,00,000 to 10,00,000</td> <td>Rs. 2 lakh + 25% of project cost between Rs. 5-10 lakh.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>10,00,000 to 15,00,000</td> <td>Rs. 3,25,000/-</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Range of Project Cost (Rs.)	Rate of Subsidy	Upto 2,00,000	50% of project cost	2,00,000 to 5,00,000	Rs. 1 lakh + 33.3% of project cost between Rs.2-5 lakh	5,00,000 to 10,00,000	Rs. 2 lakh + 25% of project cost between Rs. 5-10 lakh.	10,00,000 to 15,00,000	Rs. 3,25,000/-
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5.	Rate of Interest to be charged from beneficiaries	4-6% based on the amount of loan	No change										
6.	Provision of interest subsidy, depending on the amount of loan	Gap between the actual rate of interest charged by bank and the rate of interest at which the loan is to be provided under the Scheme.	No change										

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7.	Moratorium period for repayment of loan	Upto six months	Upto two years
8.	Maximum period of Training	1 year	2 years
9.	Stipend during training	Rs. 1,000 p.m.	Rs. 3,000 p.m.
10.	Repayment period including the moratorium period	Upto 5 years	For projects costing upto Rs. 5 lakh - 5 years. For projects costing more than Rs. 5 lakhs - 7 years.
11.	Penal Provisions for misuse of funds	No provisions	Penal provisions for misuse of funds by beneficiaries, provided under the Scheme.