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To, All Project Implementing Agencies

Sub: Release of stipend in Aadhar linked accounts of the trainees through DBT mode of PFMS under "Seekho Aur Kamao" scheme for the target year 2019-20 & 2020-21 - reg.

I am directed to refer to the subject and state that the stipend to be paid to beneficiaries under "Seekho Aur Kamao" (Learn and Earn) for the target year 2019-20 and 2020-21 should be released through the **Aadhar linked DBT mode of PFMS** only, rather than the **Account based DBT mode of PFMS or NEFT/RTGS**.

- 2. On scrutiny of the documents (PFMS Print Payment Advice), it is observed that most of the PIAs have paid the stipends to the trainees through account-based transfer or NEFT/RTGS instead of Aadhar linked transfer using DBT mode of PFMS. Whereas, as per the sanction order issued to the PIAs, it has already been stated that stipend is to be paid into Aadhar linked accounts of the trainees through DBT mode of PFMS. If a trainee does not have an account linked to Aadhar, the same should be got linked and then payment released.
- 3. All the PIAs are hereby requested to strictly adhere to the scheme guidelines/instructions contained in Sanction Orders and pay the stipend to trainees through **Aadhar linked accounts of the trainees using DBT mode of PFMS**. If the trainees do not have an Aadhar linked account, PIA(s) are to facilitate them in opening an Aadhar linked account and then transfer the stipend amount.

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

Yours Sincerely

(Vikas Mohan)

Under Secretary Government of India

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