

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT**

B.C. Welfare Department - Inclusion in the Budget for the Financial Year 2021-22 "EBC NESTHAM" for EBC communities for granting Rs.15,000/- per annum for a period of three years amounting to Rs.45,000/- to financially empower EBC Women (other than SC/ST/BC/Kapu/Minority communities) aged above 45 years and below 60 years for enhancing their livelihood opportunities and living standards – Orders - Issued.

BACKWARD CLASSES WELFARE (C) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 2

**Dated: 20-04-2021
Read:**

From the Director, BC Welfare, A.P., Vijayawada, Lr.Rc.No.E/34/2021,
dt.20.02.2021.

ORDER:-

Government have decided to include in the Budget for the Financial Year 2021-22 "EBC NESTHAM" for all other communities who are economically backward other than – "SC/ST/BC/Minority who are already covered under YSR Cheyutha, Kapus who are already covered under "Kapu Nestham" for granting Rs.15,000/- per annum for a period of three years amounting to Rs.45,000/- to financially empower the Women of the proposed communities, aged above 45 years and below 60 years for enhancing their livelihood opportunities and living standards, on the lines of YSR Cheyutha and Kapu Nestham, following similar guidelines.

2. The Operational Guidelines for EBC Nestham, Eligibility Criteria for Beneficiaries, Beneficiary Identification etc. are mentioned in the Annexure enclosed to this order.
3. The expenditure under the Scheme shall be incurred within the budgetary provision made under the relevant Head of Account in Budget Estimates 2021-22.
4. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance (FMU.Welfare.II) Department, vide their U.O.No.FIN01-FMU0PC(WEL2)/27/2021 dt.18.03.2021.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

**G. ANANTHA RAMU
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To

The Director, Backward Classes Welfare, A.P., Vijayawada.
The M.D., A.P. State EBC Welfare and Development Corporation, Vijayawada.
The Vice Chairman & Managing Director, A.P. B.C. Coop. Finance Corporation,
Vijayawada.

All the District Collectors.

All the DBCWOs in A.P. State.

All the Executive Directors, A.P.B.C. Cooperative Finance
Corporation Ltd.

Copy to:

The Finance (Exp.BCW) Dept.

The PAO, AP., Vijayawada.

The Accountant General, A.P., Hyderabad.

The OSD to Secretary to C.M.

The PA to Min.(BCW)

The PS. to Spl.C.S. to Govt., B.C.Welfare Dept.

The BC Welfare (B) Department.

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ANNEXURE

OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES FOR THE SCHEME "EBC NESTHAM"

The Government is implementing "NAVARATNALU" and various other welfare schemes in the State. The women in the EBC communities who are in the age group of 45 to 60 years also need economic upliftment. In order to create additional sources of livelihood and income generating opportunities, Government is coming out with the proposal to give a grant of Rs.15000/- per annum for the next three years, i.e. 2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-24, amounting to Rs.45,000/-.

Total Projected Population for 2020-21 (Source " CENSUS OF INDIA 2011")	5.27 Crores	
Female Population	2.63 Crores	
Male Population	2.64 Crores	
Population of SC, ST, BC, Minority & Kapu	4.56 Crores (87%)	
Others Population	0.71Crores (13%)	
EBC Population in Others	0.64 Crs (90% in others)	
EBC Female Population	0.32 Crores	
	45-60 (100%)	45-60 (90%)
EBC Female 45-60 age group (13.97%)	447,040	402,336
Assistance per Annum per family (Rs.)	15000.00	15000.00
Amount required per Annum (Rs. in Crores)	670.56	603.50
Amount required for Assistance for three years (Rs. in Crores)	2011.68	1810.51

I. Title of the Scheme

The scheme is named as "EBC NESTHAM".

II. Objective of the Scheme

The objective of the scheme is to financially empower EBC women above 45 years and below 60 years by enhancing their livelihood opportunities and living standards, by offering financial assistance.

III. Financial Assistance under the Scheme

The women who are belonging to EBC community and are aged above 45 years and below 60 years shall be given a financial assistance of Rs.45,000/- (Rs.15,000/- per annum) over a three year period by the Government.

IV. Budget Estimates for 2021-2022

The above expenditure will be met from the B.E. 2021-22.

V. Eligibility Criteria for Beneficiaries

The following eligibility criteria shall be followed for identifying the beneficiaries of the scheme:

The beneficiary should belong to economically backward community(as defined under) other than SC/ST/BC/Kapu/Minority communities, who are already covered under "YSR Cheyutha' and "Kapu Nestham".

- The beneficiary should possess a valid Aadhaar card on her name. The beneficiary should furnish details of an unencumbered bank account opened in her name in any of the Scheduled Commercial Banks for crediting the Financial Assistance.
- The beneficiary must meet the following criteria in order to become eligible for financial assistance under this scheme.

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Family	The definition of Family according to the scheme includes Father, Mother and dependent Children only.
Total Family Income	Total family income should be less than Rs.10,000/- per month in Rural areas and Rs.12,000/- per month in Urban areas.
Total family Land holding	Total land holding of the family should be less than 3.00 Ac. of Wet (or) 10 Ac. of Dry land (or) 10 Acres of land put together for this purpose.
Government Employee/ Pensioner	No family member should be a Government employee or Government pensioner. The families of Sanitary employees are exempted.
Four Wheeler	Family should not own a four wheeler (Taxis, Tractors, Autos are exempted).
Income Tax	No family member should be an income tax payee.
Municipal property	In Municipal areas, a family who owns property less than 750 sq. feet of built up area (Residential or commercial) is eligible.
Age	45 – 60 Years, should have completed 45 years of age and less than 60 years as on the date of the issue of Government Order for the scheme. Date of Birth Proof: 1. Integrated Caste Certificate. (Which includes Caste, Date of Birth & Nativity). 2. Birth Certificate/Xth Marks Sheet. 3. Voter ID card

VI. Beneficiary Identification, Approval and Sanction Process

All eligible beneficiaries under this scheme shall be identified through the following process:

- a. Identification of the eligible beneficiaries shall be carried out, on the ground level by a door to door survey conducted by the Village Volunteers in villages and Ward Volunteers in ULBs.
- b. The identification of beneficiaries under the scheme is made in a foolproof manner, so as to ensure selection of only the eligible beneficiaries.
- c. The following data will be captured as part of the enumeration:
 1. Name
 2. Aadhaar Number of the Beneficiary
 3. Mobile Number of the Beneficiary
 4. Name of the Head of the Family
 5. Aadhaar number of Head of the family
 6. Proof of Caste
 7. Proof of Date of Birth
 8. Total Family Income
 9. Unencumbered Bank Account Number / IFSC Code /Bank Name
 10. Copy of Bank Pass Book
 11. Vehicle Number – in case of possession of four wheelers (other than hire vehicles)
 12. Details of land holding of family (Nature – Wet/Dry, Extent – in acres)
 13. Size of Property in Municipal Area (<= 750 Sq.ft)
 14. Details of employment in Government(Salaried/Pensioner)
- d. The Village / Ward Volunteers shall adhere to the eligibility criteria while identifying the beneficiaries.
- e. The lists of the beneficiaries prepared by the Village Volunteers shall be validated by the Welfare Assistant and pushed to the respective MPDO/Municipal Commissioner for scrutiny. The MPDOs / Municipal Commissioners concerned shall peruse and scrutinize the beneficiary lists and proofs and then forward to the EDs of BC Corporation who in turn sends to the respective District Collector for approval.

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- f. The District Collectors shall verify the beneficiary list, approve the same and forward to the Managing Director, A.P State EBC Welfare & Development Corporation, for sanction of the amount.
- g. Approved list shall be displayed in the Village / Ward Secretariat for Social Audit.
- h. The Managing Director, A.P State EBC Welfare & Development Corporation shall verify the district-wise lists of the beneficiaries and sanction the amounts based on the budget available.

VII. Payment Remittance Process

- a). Upon sanction of the amount by the Managing Director, AP State EBC Welfare & Development Corporation, the amount as decided by the stated policy, shall be remitted into the bank accounts of the beneficiaries.
- b). Upon successful remittance of the amount, SMS shall be sent to the mobile phones of the beneficiaries, intimating them the remittance of the amount.
- c). Payment Remittance Acknowledgements shall be generated at the Village / Ward Secretariats and the same shall be handed over to the beneficiaries concerned, by the Village / Ward Volunteers concerned along with the message of the Hon'ble Chief Minister in the form of a letter.

VIII. Monitoring Mechanism

A separate web application shall be developed and hosted in the "**navasakam.ap.gov.in**" website to facilitate systematic implementation of the scheme.

Entire process from the beneficiary identification till the sanction shall be carried out through this web application.

- a. Initial data capture shall be carried out in this web application, in prescribed screens and specific formats.
- b. Subsequent validation by scrutiny by MPDO / Municipal Commissioner/ ED., BC Corporation, approvals by the District Collectors and sanction by the MD, EBC Corporation shall also be carried out electronically, through digital signatures.
- c. Payments are made electronically into the savings bank accounts of the beneficiaries, centrally by the AP State EBC Welfare & Development Corporation.
- d. The District Collectors concerned as well as the MD, AP State EBC Welfare & Development Corporation shall monitor and review the implementation of this scheme at its various stages.
- e. The beneficiary lists shall be displayed in the Village/Ward Secretariats concerned for the purpose of social audit.
- f. The A.P Centre for Financial Systems and Services (APCFSS) shall provide required technical support in design, development, deployment and maintenance of the software application required for implementation of the scheme.

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