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Dated Shillong,    May, 2024

From : Shri. F. B. S. Ramsiej  
Jt. Director of Higher and Technical Education  
Meghalaya, Shillong.

To : The Principal/Registrar

NETGRIHMS - College of Nursing  
Mandraydway, Shillong 793018.

Subject: STARS Merit based scholarship for Non-Engineering Programmes at VIT  
Chennai

Sir/Madam,

With reference to the subject mentioned above, I am to forward herewith letter dated 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 2024 received from the Additional Registrar, Vellore Institute of Technology, Chennai for your kind perusal and wide publicity.

This is for your information and necessary action.

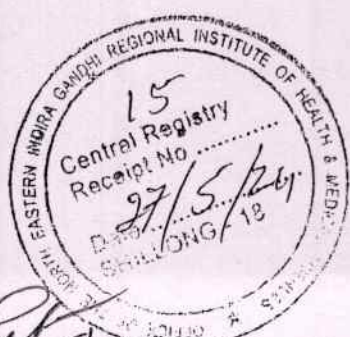
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Yours faithfully,

Jt. Director of Higher and Technical Education  
Meghalaya::Shillong.

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02 May, 2024

To,

The Director  
Directorate of Higher & Technical Education,  
Kenilworth Road, Near Shillong Public school, Laitumkhrar,  
Shillong - Meghalaya

Respected Sir/Madam,

**Sub: STARS – Merit based scholarship for Non-Engineering Programmes at VIT Chennai**

Greetings from VIT Chennai!

Vellore Institute of Technology (deemed to be University) for the past 40 years has made a mark in the field of higher education in India imparting quality education in a cross-cultural ambience; interwind with extensive application-oriented research. **VIT Chennai**, the off-campus institution is making leaps and bounds in professional programs close to the heart of Chennai City since 2010.

Support The Advancement of Rural Students (STARS) is a merit-based scholarship program is aimed to provide opportunities to pursue quality higher education for economically under privileged students from rural government schools on merit basis. The scheme is successful in the States of Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, and Madhya Pradesh. From the Academic Year 2024-25, VIT Chennai offers this scholarship to **1- boy and 1 - girl** from each of the 25 States of India(excluding TN, AP, MP), Jammu and Kashmir, and Ladakh regions under 8- Non-Engineering Programmes. The highlights of this scheme are as follows:

1. 100% fee waiver for Academics, and hostel (accommodation & food) for entire duration.
2. Personality development and Career guidance.
3. Internships and Excellent placements.
4. Proctoring mechanism for their mental wellness.
5. Free basic on-campus medical facilities and many more.

The eligibility criteria for availing a seat under STARS scheme is as follows:

1. The student should be educated through **Rural Government schools** of the state.
2. The student should be State topper (**1Boy + 1Girl**) in the Higher secondary exam conducted by the State board.
3. Only one candidate from a family can avail the scholarship.
4. The family's annual income should be less than INR1,50,000 p.a.

We wish to implement this scheme for the benefit of meritorious economically under privileged rural students from your state. To facilitate the process, we nominate **Dr. Bijoy Sharma, Assistant Professor Senior Grade 1, (8134994565)** as a single point contact from VIT Chennai with Directorate of Higher & Technical Education. For further details and email communication can be reached at [starscoordinator.cc@vit.ac.in](mailto:starscoordinator.cc@vit.ac.in).

Yours truthfully

Dr. P.K. Manoharan  
Additional Registrar



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