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To

All the Major Superiors of Religious Working in India (*Latin Rite Congregations only*)

SUBJECT: APPLICATION FOR NOVICES' SUBSIDY - 2020

Dear Sisters, Brothers, Fathers,

Enclosed is the Application Form for the Subsidy for Novices, which was sent from the International Secretariat of The Pontifical Society of St. Peter the Apostle, through the Apostolic Nunciature in India. Please fill it and let us have it before May 31st 2020. Kindly fill all the necessary information, which also includes the signature of the Diocesan Bishop where the Major Superior resides. (This is a new requirement.) Ensure to enclose all the attachments as required in the application. The National CRI will then verify, process and tabulate all the application forms in the way the Nunciature decides, and forward it to them. It is the Nunciature that arranges the transfer of the money to your accounts. Once we check and take the completed forms to their office, we (at National CRI) don't come into the picture at all. Kindly send us the filled form even if there are no novices for this year, marking the same. The Application Form is also uploaded on our website (www.crinational.org). In case you lose or misplace the form, you can download it from there, and send it to us.

Here are a few reminders, although most of you may be aware of these details:

As you were informed in the previous years, only the Congregations of Latin Rite are eligible for this subsidy from Rome. The Oriental Congregations are receiving help through other channels, not the CRI. At times, we are not sure of the rite to which a religious order belongs; hence some orders belonging to other rites may receive this form. If so, please know that it is a mistake. Note, too, that forms from earlier years are not valid.

By this time all the Latin congregations that had applied for the novices' subsidy in 2018 will have received the amount from the Apostolic Nunciature by bank transfer to your F.C. Account. In case you need any clarification with regard to the Novices' Subsidy for 2018, you may contact the Nunciature directly by phone (at : 011-42492300, 26889184, 24103148) or write an email (cooperation@apostolicnunciatureindia.com). Delays are generally caused by the incorrectness of the bank particulars; please make sure that these details are correct. The Nunciature will send the Novices' Subsidy for 2019 soon to those who have applied for it.

The money will be sent from the Nunciature by "bank transfer" as was done in the previous years. Please take care, therefore, to give all the bank details asked for in page 4 of the FORM. ("Title of Your FC Account" means the name in which you have opened the F.C. Account as found on the first page of your Passbook). Those who have not sent your FCRA certificate, please send the FCRA Renewal Certificate you received from the Ministry of Home Affairs.

Once you fill up the Form, keep a photocopy of it for yourself, and POST THE ORIGINAL to:

The National Secretary

CRI House, Masihgarh,
New Friends Colony PO
New Delhi 110 025
Tel. 011-2692 3911, 95 9955 3824

You may send it by Registered post or by Courier, so as to reach here by May 31, 2020, at the latest. Please keep the acknowledgement card, or POD from the courier. Make sure that you receive an acknowledgement from us along with the receipt for the service charges paid, wherever applicable.

For processing this subsidy: Those who have only 1-3 novices need not pay anything. All those who have more than three novices are requested to contribute Rs. 50 per novice (i.e., Rs. 200 for 4 novices; 250 for 5 novices; and so on). This payment is to be made as a DD or Cheque in the name of: **Conference of Religious India**, payable at **New Delhi**.

The subsidy is given only for one year for a novice. The list of novices should be as on January 1, 2020. For those who are starting their novitiate after that date, please apply next year.

Faternally,

Fr. Joe Mannath SDB
National Secretary, CRI