

1.4 The total number of bursaries was decided to be six, four of which have been named at the announcement of the launching of bursary by Chair person of SCA-UK at the Shan New Year/ Pi Mai Tai Celebrations 2010. Two bursaries are designated for medical students and the other four are for students studying other subjects. Three out of six bursaries are for students attending universities in the Shan State and the rest for students attending universities outside of the Shan State.

1.5 The named bursaries were :

1.5.1 **Dr. Sao Ba Nyan Medical Student Bursary** in honor of a well known Tai/Shan doctor, composer and learner, Dr. Sao Ba Nyan of Sipaw.

1.5.2 **Nang Kham Gu Bursary in honor of a well known female novelist** who lived in the early 19th century in central Shan State, who wrote the Tai classic novel Khun Sarm Law Nang Oo Pem.

1.5.3 **Sao Garng Sor Bursary in honor of a famous writer and poet**, the father of the novelist Nang Kham Ku, who lived in the late 18th and early 19th century.

1.5.4 **Sao Amat Luong Merng Nong, who was once chief minister for Saofa, ruling prince of Merng Nong in central Shan State**, who was known for his scholarship in Buddhist studies and meditation.

1.6 Rules and regulations/eligibility for bursary application:

1.6.1 Students shall be of the nationality (ies) of the Shan State.

1.6.2 Students shall be able to provide evidence of being in need of funding to pursue higher education.

1.6.3 Students shall be able to provide evidence of admission to university (i.e. acceptance letter or student card), and provide a reference letter from the Shan Literary and Cultural Association (SLCA), Yangon.

1.6.4 Students shall send to the SCA_UK through the his/her CV for application – personal details and background education and achievement.

1.6.5. Students shall also provide a personal statement highlighting their ambition, extra-curricular activities and career plan.

1.6.6. The application shall be annual. The submission period shall be from January to March, and the successful applicant shall be notified between April and May.

1.6.7. Student who has received bursary must provide an annual report and exam result to be qualified for application of subsequent academic year.

1.6.8. Bursary is awarded for 12 calendar months if student is able to provide evidence (a reference letter from the association) of volunteering at any Shan literary and cultural association.

1.6.9. Bursary is awarded for 10 calendar months (academic term only) if the student is not able to provide evidence of such volunteering.

1.7 The bursary is fixed at 30,000 Kyats per month per student.

For all the six bursaries, the SCA_UK needs to have at its disposal approximately according to the current exchange rate an equivalent amount in Sterling Pounds is £1560 per annum to fund the project.