

**POST-MATRIC SCHOLARSHIP'
FOR STUDENTS BELONGING
TO THE MINORITY
COMMUNITIES**

BACKGROUND

The objective of the scheme is to award scholarships to meritorious students belonging to economically weaker sections of minority community so as to provide them better opportunities for higher education, increase their rate of attainment in higher education and enhance their employability.

SCOPE

- Awarded for studies in India in a government or private higher secondary school/college/university,
- Includes residential institutes of the Government and eligible private institutes selected and notified in a transparent manner by the State Government/Union Territory Administration concerned.
- Technical and Vocational Courses in Industrial Training Institutes/ Industrial Training Centres affiliated with the National Council for Vocational Training (NCVT) of classes XI and XII level.

ELIGIBILITY

- The students who have secured not less than 50% marks or equivalent grade in the previous final examination

and

- The annual income of whose parents/guardian from all sources does not exceed Rs.2 lakh.

DISTRIBUTION

- Muslims, Sikhs, Christians, Buddhists and Zoroastrians(Parsis)
- The distribution among the States/Union Territories - on the basis of population of Census 2001.
- 75000 scholarships throughout the country
- No. of students in Maharashtra State:
Muslim – 4065, Sikh - 86, Christian – 420,
Buddhist – 2314, Parsi -15, Total - **6900**
- 30% of scholarship-earmarked for girl students

SELECTION PROCEDURE

- There are a fixed number of scholarships for minorities is small and limited.
- Students from Bellow Poverty Line (BPL) families, having the lowest income shall be given preference in the ascending order.
- The renewal applications would be fully exhausted before the new applications are considered.
- Provided for the entire course. Maintenance allowance not exceeding 10 months in a year.

RATE OF SCHOLARSHIP

- Admission and tuition fee for classes XI and XII - **Actual subject to a maximum ceiling of Rs.7,000 p.a.**
- Admission and course/tuition fee for technical and vocational courses of XI and XII level. - **Actual subject to a maximum ceiling of Rs.10,000 p.a.**
- Admission and tuition fee for under-graduate, post graduate - **Actual subject to a maximum ceiling of Rs.3,000 p.a.**
- Maintenance allowance
 - Classes XI and XII, including Technical and Vocational Courses :
Hosteller - Rs.235 p.m. , Other Rs.140 p.m.
 - Courses other than technical and professional courses at under-graduate and post graduate level : Hosteller - Rs.355 p.m., Other Rs.185 p.m.
 - M. Phil and Ph.D. : Hosteller - Rs.510 p.m., Other Rs.330 p.m

CONDITIONS FOR SCHOLARSHIP

- Students who have secured not less than 50% marks in the previous final examination
- Annual income of whose parents/guardian does not exceed Rs.2 lakh.
- Discontinued if a student fails to secure 50% marks in the previous final examination
- Not be given to more than two students in a family.
- Students - regular in attendance.
- Income certificate - self-certification basis by way of an affidavit on non-judicial stamp paper for self-employed parents and from employer for employed parents.
- The school/college/university authority – certify about Hosteller / Day Scholar.
- If a student violates any other term and condition of the scholarship, the scholarship may be suspended or cancelled.
- The State Government/Union Territory Administration can also directly cancel the award if duly satisfied of the reasons of violation of these regulations governing the scheme.
- If a student is found to have obtained a scholarship by false statement/certificates, his/her scholarship will be cancelled forthwith.
- The State Government Administration will lay down the detailed procedure for processing and sanctioning of scholarships to eligible students.
- Course fee/tuition fee - credited to the school's/college's/institution's bank account.
- Maintenance allowance will be credited to the student's bank account.
- Student obtaining benefits under this scholarship scheme shall not be allowed to avail of benefits under any other scholarship scheme for the same purpose.
- State/Union Territory shall publish financial and physical achievements on website.

Miscellaneous

- **RENEWAL OF SCHOLARSHIP** -Renewed during the next academic year of the course on the production of certificate that the student has secured 50% marks in the examination.
- **ANNOUNCEMENT OF SCHEME –**
Announced by the State Government Administration well in time, through advertisements in the leading language newspapers and local dailies and by using other suitable publicity media.
- **MODE OF APPLYING –**
The State Government Administration will supply the application forms, till such time computerized systems are made operational. The application forms should be received back along with requisite certificates/certifications within the stipulated period.
- **PATTERN OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**
100% funding by the Central Government to the State Government Administration.