

**GUIDELINES FOR  
AICTE – PRAGATI SCHOLARSHIP  
SCHEME FOR GIRL STUDENTS -  
(DEGREE)**

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## **GUIDELINES FOR AICTE – PRAGATI SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME FOR GIRL STUDENTS (DEGREE)**

### **1.0 OBJECTIVE OF THE SCHEME:**

Scheme being implemented by AICTE aimed at providing assistance for advancement of Girls pursuing technical education. Education is one of the most important means of empowering women with the knowledge, skill and self-confidence necessary to participate fully in the development process. This is an attempt to give young women the opportunity to further her education and prepare for a successful future by “Empowering Women through Technical Education”.

### **2.0 ELIGIBILITY FOR SCHOLARSHIP:**

- 1) The girl candidate should be admitted to First year of Degree level course  
**OR**  
Second year of Degree level course through lateral entry in any of the AICTE approved Institution of respective year.
- 2) Maximum two girl child per family are eligible.
- 3) Family income from all sources should not be more than Rs. 8 lakh per annum during the current financial year. A valid income certificate issued by State/ UT Government need to be enclosed.

### **3.0 NUMBER OF SCHOLARSHIPS:**

- 1) A total of 5,000 scholarships are earmarked per annum under this scheme for pursuing First year of Degree level course **OR** Second year of Degree level course through lateral entry in any of the AICTE approved Institutions.
- 2) State/ Union Territory wise distribution of 5,000 scholarships is as per Annexure A.
- 3) In addition to 5,000 scholarships at point number 2, all eligible girls who submit online scholarship form, from following 13 Union Territories and North Eastern States i.e. Andaman and Nicobar Islands (UT), Jammu and Kashmir (UT), Ladakh (UT), Dadra and Nagar Haveli & Daman and Diu (UT), Lakshadweep (UT), Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim & Tripura will be given scholarship by AICTE.

### **4.0 AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP:**

- 1) Rs. 50,000/- per annum for every year of study i.e. maximum 4 years for first year admitted students and maximum 3 years for second year admitted students through

lateral entry as lump sum amount towards payment of college fee, purchase of computer, stationeries, books, equipments, softwares etc. No other additional grant will be payable in lieu of hostel charges and medical charges etc.

- 2) No documentary proof need to be attached for the above while availing benefits.

### **5.0 MODE OF PAYMENT:**

After selection, the awardee will be paid scholarship through DBT mode on annual basis.

### **6.0 PROCEDURE FOR APPLYING:**

- 1) The candidate fulfilling the eligibility conditions is required to apply online on National Scholarship Portal (NSP) after initiation of application process and notice to be published on AICTE website.
- 2) The host institution where the candidate is studying, required to verify the online application.
- 3) Department of Technical Education (DTE) of respective State/ UT will verify these applications as second level of scrutiny.

### **7.0 CRITERIA OF SELECTION:**

- 1) The selection of candidate will be carried out solely on the basis of merit of qualifying examination to peruse the Technical Degree course from any of the AICTE approved institutions i.e. in First year or Second year (through lateral entry only) on the basis of percentage of marks obtained in the 10+2/ equivalent examination.
- 2) State/ UT wise merit list will be prepared as per number of scholarships allotted in the point number 3.0 above.

### **8.0 METHODS OF RESOLVING TIES:**

The procedure to be adopted for breaking ties (similar percentiles) shall be as under: -

- 1) **Percentage of Marks in 10<sup>th</sup> Examination:** In case qualifying examination percentile does not break ties, then higher percentage of marks in 10<sup>th</sup> examination will be ranked higher.
- 2) **Age:** In case 10<sup>th</sup> examination percentile does not break ties, then the candidate of elder age will be ranked higher.

### **9.0 RESERVATION:**

As per Government of India norms.

### **10.0 RENEWALS:**

- 1) The scholarship will be renewed for the next year of study on receipt of renewal through National Scholarship Portal by submitting passing certificate/ marksheet along with letter from the Head of the Institution on the online portal.
- 2) Student failing to get promoted to the next class/ level would forfeit the scholarship.

## 11.0 TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- 1) The gap period between the year of passing the qualifying examination and the session of admission in degree course should not be more than two years.
- 2) Applications will be invited once in a year through National e-Scholarship Portal of the Government of India.
- 3) If a student is in reserved category and also qualified in General Category merit list of scholarship, then she will be counted under the General Category.
- 4) Incomplete applications will be summarily rejected. Only verified online applications will be considered for the award of scholarship.
- 5) If a candidate failed/ drop out in subsequent year, she will not be eligible for further scholarship.
- 6) The grant of scholarship is subject to the condition that the student does not receive any financial assistance in shape of scholarship/any emoluments, salary, stipend etc. from any other source during her course of study in the Institute. In case of receipt of any financial assistance from any other sources, the scholarship shall be discontinued and the entire amount of scholarship will have to be refunded to AICTE by D/Draft drawn in favour of "Member Secretary, AICTE" payable at New Delhi.
- 7) Scheme will be implemented and monitored by the AICTE.
- 8) For converting Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) to percentage, multiplying factor will be 9.5 i.e. to convert the CGPA into percentage;  $CGPA \times 9.5$  will give the percentage.
- 9) In case both CGPA & total marks are given in the mark sheet, total marks will be considered for determining percentage.
- 10) If grades are given like A1, A2, B1, B2 etc. in the mark sheet, first the grades will be converted into CGPA and then average CGPA will be calculated. This CGPA will be converted into percentage as given in point No. 8.
- 11) Provisional list of shortlisted candidates will be uploaded on the AICTE web portal. In case, candidate has any query about merit list of scholarship, they may raise their grievances within a month. No query regarding merit list will be entertained after one-month duration from the date of publishing of merit list on AICTE website.
- 12) Query regarding non-payment of the scholarship due to invalid/ wrong account number will be entertained only upto six months from the date of publishing of merit list on AICTE website.

**Annexure A**

<b>State-wise Distribution of No. of Scholarships in the Degree Course</b>		
<b>S. No.</b>	<b>State/ UT</b>	<b>No. of Scholarships</b>
1	Andhra Pradesh	566
2	Bihar	52
3	Chandigarh (UT)	50
4	Chhattisgarh	62
5	Delhi (NCT)	50
6	Goa	50
7	Gujarat	219
8	Haryana	134
9	Himachal Pradesh	50
10	Jharkhand	50
11	Karnataka	398
12	Kerala	196
13	Madhya Pradesh	285
14	Maharashtra	553
15	Odisha	134
16	Puducherry (UT)	50
17	Punjab	124
18	Rajasthan	152
19	Tamil Nadu	800
20	Telangana	424
21	Uttar Pradesh	422
22	Uttarakhand	50
23	West Bengal	129
	<b>Total</b>	<b>5000</b>

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>State/ UT</b>	<b>No. of Scholarships</b>
1	Andaman and Nicobar Islands (UT)	<b>All Eligible Applicants</b>
2	Dadra and Nagar Haveli & Daman and Diu (UT)	
3	Jammu and Kashmir (UT)	
4	Ladakh (UT)	
5	Lakshadweep (UT)	
6	Arunachal Pradesh	
7	Assam	
8	Manipur	
9	Meghalaya	
10	Mizoram	
11	Nagaland	
12	Sikkim	
13	Tripura	

**Note:** State-wise distribution of scholarships is based upon proportionate share of allotted degree seats (in AICTE approved institutions) to that particular State/ UT with minimum 50 scholarships and maximum cap of 800 scholarships.

**PRADHAN MANTRI UCHCHATAR SHIKSHA PROTSAHAN (PM-USP) YOJANA**  
**GUIDELINES FOR THE COMPONENT SCHEME –**  
**CENTRAL SECTOR SCHEME OF SCHOLARSHIP FOR COLLEGE AND**  
**UNIVERSITY STUDENTS (PM-USP CSSS)**

**(Applicable for academic year 2021-22 onwards)**

**1. Objective**

To provide financial assistance to meritorious students from poor families to meet a part of their day-to-day expenses while pursuing higher studies.

**2. Scope**

The scholarships are awarded by Ministry of Education, Government of India on the basis of results of Higher Secondary / Class XII Board Examination. A maximum of 82,000 fresh scholarships per annum are provided for pursuing graduate / postgraduate degree in colleges and universities and for professional courses, such as Medical, Engineering etc.

**3. Allocation of Scholarship**

The total number of scholarships are divided amongst the State Education Boards based on the State's population in the age group of 18-25 years, after segregating share of CBSE and ICSE on the basis of number of students passing out from various Boards in the country. 50% of the scholarships are earmarked for girls. Out of the total scholarship slots earmarked for UTs of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh, 3% slots shall be earmarked for the students from the UT of Ladakh. The number of scholarships allotted to a State Education Board is distributed amongst pass outs of the Humanities, Science and Commerce streams in the ratio of 3:3:1. In case of shortfall in the number of applications, the scholarship slots shall be interoperable among categories (Gen, OBC, SC & ST), gender (Female, Male) and State Quota to maximize use of slots for fresh scholarships with effect from academic year 2021-22, subject to the condition that guidelines of Ministry of Finance and NITI Aayog regarding SC/ST fund allocation of the schemes are adhered to.

**4. Eligibility for Scholarship**

- i. Students who are above 80<sup>th</sup> percentile of successful candidates in the relevant stream from the respective Board of Examination in Class XII of 10+2 pattern or equivalent;

- ii. Pursuing regular degree courses and **not** correspondence or distance mode or pursuing Diploma courses;
- iii. Pursuing courses at colleges/institutions recognized by All India Council for Technical Education and respective Regulatory Bodies concerned;
- iv. Not availing benefit of any other scholarship schemes including State run scholarship schemes/ fee waiver & reimbursement scheme;
- v. Students with gross parental/family income upto **Rs. 4.5 lakh per annum** are eligible for scholarship under the scheme. Income certificate will be required only for the fresh applicants;
- vi. Student changing his/ her college/institute of study will be allowed to continue/renew the scholarship provided the course of study and the institution is having valid AISHE Code; The AISHE code can be checked in the portal <https://aishe.gov.in/aishe/aisheCode>
- vii. Students who missed to apply for renewal of application online on NSP will be allowed to apply for renewal of scholarship for subsequent year on NSP, if he/she fulfils eligibility condition for renewal;
- viii. For renewal of scholarship in each year of study, besides getting at least 50% marks in the Annual Examination, maintenance of adequate attendance of at least 75%, will also be the criteria. Complaints against the student regarding any in disciplined or criminal behaviour including any complaints of having indulged in ragging, will lead to forfeiture of scholarship;
- ix. Beneficiaries/ Applicants under the scheme must apply online in the National Scholarships Portal ([www.scholarships.gov.in](http://www.scholarships.gov.in)) for the fresh/ renewal scholarships. Fresh/Renewal applications sent directly to the Ministry of Education shall not be accepted.

## 5. Reservation

Students belonging to reserved categories/weaker sections /minorities etc. are eligible to get benefit of reservation on the basis of merit, subject to Central Reservation Policy [i.e. 15% seats are earmarked for SCs, 7.5% for STs and 27 % for OBCs and 5% horizontal reservation for Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) in all the categories]. The Central Reservation Policy will be applicable in filling the slots against each year's target. If slots under a specific group is not filled after considering all the States/UTs, the vacant slots will be allocated to other categories so that maximum number of eligible students can get the benefit, subject to overall ceiling of slots.

## **6. Procedure for Application**

- i. The applications are received online only. Verification of credentials of the students like caste, educational qualifications etc. are done through DIGILOCKER facility of the MeITY, Govt. of India.
- ii. National Scholarships Portal (NSP) ([www.scholarships.gov.in](http://www.scholarships.gov.in)) will provide the timelines for opening & closing of the portal.
- iii. The Guidelines for application, verification, selection and disbursement of scholarship will be as per the NSP.
- iv. Selection list would be generated/displayed on NSP.
- v. Online applications will be verified at two levels i.e by the Institute, where the student is studying and thereafter by the concerned State Higher Education Department or any other Agency/ Official nominated by the State as State Nodal Agency (both for fresh and renewal applicants).
- vi. Latest guideline on Timelines will be made available on NSP.
- vii. Students will not be permanently debarred for scholarships due to delay to renew or verification. However, students will have to submit renewal applications within a cut-off date. Renewal for that year will not be allowed if an applicant misses this deadline.

## **7. Rate and Duration of Scholarship (from financial year 2021-22)**

The rate of scholarship is Rs.12,000/-per annum at Graduation level for first three years of College and University courses and Rs.20,000/-per annum at Post-Graduation level. Students pursuing professional courses, in case, where the duration of course is five (5) years/Integrated course will get Rs. 20,000/-per annum in the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> year. However, students pursuing technical courses such as B.Tech, B.Engg. will get scholarship up to graduation level only i.e. Rs. 12,000 p.a. for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> year and Rs. 20,000 in the 4<sup>th</sup> year.

**Note:** The rate of scholarship is Rs.10,000/-per annum for first three years of fresh/renewal scholarships with respect to academic year 2020-21, even if the actual release happens in FY 2021-22.

## **8. Payment of Scholarship**

Students are required to have the bank accounts opened, especially, in their name for availing the benefits under the scheme. The scholarship will be disbursed directly into the savings bank accounts of the beneficiaries through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT)

mode. The student can track their payment status from the template “Know Your Payment” in the Public Financial Management System (PFMS) portal [ <https://pfms.nic.in/Users/LoginDetails/Login.aspx>] either by indicating Aadhaar number or bank account number or NSP Application ID.

#### **9. For Colleges/Universities**

College and Universities will apprise the students about the “PM-USP CSSS” during admission. Aadhaar based authentication of Institute Nodal Officer (INO)/ State Nodal Officer (SNO) is mandatory for every Institution/State before verification of the applications. INO/SNO should be a regular employee.

#### **10. For State Government/State Boards**

Adequate publicity of the scheme may be initiated through the Schools/ Colleges/ Institutions to create awareness and to facilitate/ assist the applicants in rural area to apply for scholarship online on NSP.

#### **11. Grievance Redressal**

In case of any grievances/complaint regarding the above scheme, the same may be registered to the following link:

<http://pgportal.gov.in/grievancenew.aspx>

other than to the Nodal Officer whose email is available on NSP portal (Services Tab).

#### **Contact us:**

Section Officer  
National Scholarship Division  
Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education,  
West Block 1, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Wing 6, Room No. 6,  
R. K. Puram, Sector 1, New Delhi 110066.  
**Tele: 011- 20862360**  
**E-mail: [es3.edu@nic.in](mailto:es3.edu@nic.in)**

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## **Ministry of Labour & Employment**

### **Financial Assistance for Education to the Wards of Beedi/Cine/IOMC/LSDM Workers – Pre & Post-Matric**

➤ **Introduction:-**

Financial Assistance for Education of the Wards of Beedi/Cine/IOMC/LSDM Workers (Scholarship) is given to the wards of Beedi/Iron Ore Mines, Manganese Ore & Chrome Ore Mines (IOMC)/Limestone Mines, Dolomite Mines (LSDM)/Mica Mines and Cine Workers, currently varying from Rs. 1000/- to Rs.25000/- per student per annum. The benefits under the scheme are being transferred through DBT system and the applications under this scheme are invited and processed through the National Scholarship Portal (NSP) - <https://scholarships.gov.in> .

- I. Scheme for Award of Financial Assistance for Education (Scholarship) to the Children of Beedi Workers.
- II. Scheme for Award of Financial Assistance for Education (Scholarship) to the Children of Iron Ore, Manganese Ore & Chrome Ore Mine (IOMC) Workers.
- III. Scheme for Award of Financial Assistance for Education (Scholarship) to the Children of Limestone & Dolomite Mine (LSDM) Workers.
- IV. Scheme for Award of Financial Assistance for Education (Scholarship) to the Children of Cine Workers.

➤ **Eligibility:-**

1. Either of the parents of the students should be Beedi, Iron Ore Manganese & Chrome Ore Mines, Limestone & Dolomite Mines, Cine worker with at least six months service. This also includes Contract/Gharkhata (Home Based) workers also.

2. Total monthly Income of the Worker's family from all sources should not exceed as under :-
  - a. Beedi Workers - Rs.10,000/-
  - b. Mine Workers –
    - i. The Mine workers doing manual, unskilled, highly skilled and clerical work are eligible for availing all facilities under different welfare schemes of Labour Welfare Organization irrespective of the wages paid to them.
    - ii. The persons employed in supervisory and managerial capacity are eligible for availing the facilities under different welfare schemes subject to the wage limit of Rs.10,000/- per month.
    - iii. Cine workers – “An amount not exceeding Rs.8,000/- per month where such amount is paid monthly or an amount not exceeding Rs.1,00,000/- where it is paid by way of lump sum or instalments; as remuneration of a cine worker for the purpose of this Act.”
3. The Applicant must have passed the last qualifying examination in first attempt. However, Students promoted to the next class are also eligible to apply for the above scholarships.
4. The Scholars pursuing studies through Correspondence are not eligible.
5. Candidates for the award of scholarships should have taken regular admission for studies at recognized institutions in India in any course of general or technical education, including medical, engineering and agricultural studies. However, the following category of students are not eligible for award of scholarships under the scheme.:-

- a. Students who, after passing one stage of education, are studying in the same stage of education in a different subject. e.g. B.Sc. after B.Com. or B.Com. after B.A. or M.A. in one subject after M.A. in another subject.
  - b. Students who after having completed their educational career in one professional line, continue education in a different professional line, e.g. L.L.B. after B.T. or B.Ed.
6. The Educational Institute must be Government/Government Recognized Institute.
7. Students who receive scholarship or stipend from any other source will not be granted under this Scheme.
8. The scholarship sanctioned is liable to be cancelled on the following occasions :-
  - a. If the scholar is found to have obtained a scholarship by false statements.
  - b. If the scholarship discontinues his/her studies, the scholarship shall be stopped from the date of such discontinuance.
  - c. If the scholar changes the subject of the course of study for which scholarship was originally awarded or changes the Institution of Study without the prior approval of the Welfare Commissioner.
  - d. If the scholar fails to make satisfactory progress in the studies or is irregular in attendance or is guilty of misconduct during the academic year for which scholarship has been granted.
  - e. If the parent(s) of the scholar ceases to be a Beedi/Mine/Cine worker.

NOTE:- If the scholar is found to have committed any one or more of the above after the scholarship amount has actually been paid to him/her, the amount shall be recovered forthwith from him/her or his/her parents.

9. The Scholar should have separate bank account. In case of Joint Account, the first name should be of the Scholar.

10. More than one children of the same worker also should furnish separate bank account number.

11. Each Scholar is required to furnish separate Mobile Number.

12. List of Documents required

- a. Photo
- b. Copy of the Identity card of the worker (Form B Register Number in case of Mine workers).
- c. Copy of front page of Bank Pass Book or Cancelled Cheque (which should contain details of the account holder/beneficiary).
- d. Passing Certificate/Mark Sheet of previous Academic Year
- e. Income Certificate issued by the Revenue Authority

13. Quantum of Financial Assistance to be paid to Eligible Students:-

S.No.	Class / Category	New Scholarship rates per annum (Enhanced) w.e.f. AY 2021-22
		Both Male / Female
1	I to IV (for purchase of dress/books etc.)	1000
2	V to VIII	1500
3	IX	2000
4	X	2000
5	XI to XII	3000
6	ITI	6000
7	Polytechnic	6000
8	Degree Courses (including B.Sc. Agriculture)	6000
9	Professional Courses	25000

**Note:-** Students promoted to the next class are eligible to apply for the above scholarships.

**PRAGATI**  
**(Scholarship for Girl Students)**

*To provide encouragement and support to Girl Child to pursue technical education “Pragati Scholarship” has been launched by the MHRD from the year 2014-15 and implemented by All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE).*

*Pragati is a scheme of AICTE aimed at providing assistance for Advancement of Girls participation in Technical Education. Education is one of the most important means of empowering women with the knowledge, skill and self-confidence necessary to participate fully in the development process. This is an attempt to give every young Women the opportunity to further her education and prepare for a successful future by “ **Empowering Women Through Technical Education**”.*

**Salient Features of the Scheme:**

- **Number of scholarships per annum: 4000**
- **‘One Girl’** per family and it can be extended for **Two Girl Child** per family where the **family income is less than Rs. 8 Lakh /annum** (In case of married girl child, the income of parents/ in laws whichever is higher is to be considered).
- The candidates will be selected on Merit at the qualifying examination to pursue technical education from amongst such candidates.
- The candidates should have been admitted to 1st year of the Degree or Diploma programme in any of the AICTE approved institute during the current Academic Year through centralized admission process of the State/ Centre Government.
- Amount of scholarship: Tuition Fee of Rs. 30000/- or at actual, whichever is less and Rs. 2000/- per month for 10 months as incidentals each year.
- In case of candidates availing Tuition fee waiver/reimbursement, and amount of Rs. 30000/- may be reimbursed to the candidates selected for this scheme by the way of reimbursement for
  - a) Purchase of books,
  - b) Purchase of equipments, software
  - c) Purchase of Laptops.
  - d) Purchase of Desktops
  - e) Purchase of Vehicle
  - f) Fees paid towards competitive examination application forms/exam fees for all examinations related to higher education / employment.
- Reservation-15% for SC, 7.5% ST and 27% for OBC candidate/applicant.

- Out of the total number of scholarship in each scheme, 50% scholarships are available at each Degree /Diploma level and also transferable in the event of non-availability of eligible applicant in any of the of Degree/ Diploma level Programme.

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Documents Required during submission of Application</b>
1	Copies of mark sheet of standard Xth / XIIth / Others as applicable and as filled up. (mandatory)
2	Copy of Annual Family Income Certificate for the current Financial Year in the prescribed format(Annexure-I) issued by Tahsildar or higher officer. (mandatory)
3	Copy of admission letter to Diploma/Degree course. (mandatory)
4	Copy of Tuition Fee Receipt, showing clearly and separately the amount of tuition fee paid. (mandatory)
5	Copy of Bank Pass Book showing name of the student, Account number, IFSC code and Photograph pasted at appropriate place duly signed by Manager with rubber stamp of Bank affixed(mandatory)
6	Certificate issued by the Director/Principal/Head of the institute (Annexure-II) (mandatory)
7	Copy of AADHAR card
8.	Attested Copy of SC/ST/OBC Certificate. (mandatory in case of candidates claiming benefit of reservation policy)

## **SAKSHAM** **(Scholarship to Differently Aabled Students)**

*The Ministry of HRD is implementing Saksham Scholarship Scheme through All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) to provide encouragement and support to differently abled students to persue technical education in a year.*

*Saksham is a scheme of AICTE aimed at providing encouragement and support to specially abeled children to persue Technical Education. This an attempt to give every young student who is otherwise specially abled, the opportunity to study further and prepare for a successful future.*

### **Salient Features of the Scheme:**

- **Number of scholarships per annum: 1000**
- For **Specially Aabled students** whose **family income is less than Rs. 8 lakhs per annum**
- The candidates should have been admitted to 1st year of the Degree or Diploma programme in any of the AICTE approved institute during the academic year 2015-16 through centralized admission process of the State/ Centre Government
- The candidates will be select on merit at the qualifying examination to persue technical education from amongst such candidates.
- Amount of scholarship: Tuition Fee of Rs. 30000/- or at actual, whichever is less and Rs. 2000/- per month for 10 months as incidentals each year.
- In case of candidates availing Tuition fee waiver/reimbursement, and amount of Rs. 30000/- may be reimbursed to the candidates selected for this scheme by the way of reimbursement for
  - a) Purchase of books,
  - b) Purchase of equipments, software
  - c) Purchase of Laptops.
  - d) Purchase of Desktops
  - e) Purchase of customized vehicle.
  - f) Fees paid towards competitive examination application forms/exam fees for all examinations related to higher education / employment.
  - g) Purchase of specific equipments/software for visually impaired/speech and hearing disabled.
- Reservation-15% for SC, 7.5% ST and 27% for OBC candidate/applicant.
- Out of the total number of scholarship in each scheme, 50% scholarships are available at each degree /diploma level and also transferable in the event of non availability of eligible applicant in any of the of degree/ diploma level programme.

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Documents Required during submission of Application</b>
1	Copies of mark sheet of standard Xth / XIIth / Others as applicable and as filled up. (mandatory)
2	Copy of annual family income certificate for the current financial year in the prescribed format(Annexure-I) issued by Tahsildar or higher officer. (mandatory)
3	Copy of admission letter to Diploma/Degree course. (mandatory)
4	Copy of Tuition Fee Receipt, showing clearly and separately the amount of tuition fee paid. (mandatory)
5	Copy of Bank Pass Book showing name of the student, Account number, IFSC code and Photograph pasted at appropriate place duly signed by Manager with rubber stamp of Bank affixed(mandatory)
6	Certificate issued by the Director/Principal/Head of the institute (Annexure-II) (mandatory)
7	Copy of certificate issued by Competent Authority to the Differently abled candidate (PH candidate) (mandatory for application under scholarship for differently abled candidate)
8	Copy of AADHAR card
9.	Attested Copy of SC/ST/OBC Certificate. (mandatory in case of candidates claiming benefit of reservation policy)



**Prime Minister's Scholarship Scheme**  
**For the Wards of**  
**Central Armed Police Forces, Assam Rifles**  
**&**  
**States/UTs Police Personnel**  
**Ministry of Home Affairs**  
**Revised Guidelines for submission of**  
**applications online for the Academic Year**  
**2020-21**

# **Prime Minister's Scholarship Scheme for the wards of Central Armed Police Forces, Assam Rifles & State Police Personnel Ministry of Home Affairs**

(Revised guidelines for submission of applications online for the academic year 2020-21)

## **1. Introduction**

Prime Minister's Scholarship Scheme (PMSS) under the aegis of the National Defence Fund, was introduced from the academic year 2006-07 to encourage higher technical & professional education for the dependent wards & widows of Central Armed Police Forces & Assam Rifles (CAPFs & AR) Personnel. *From the academic session 2020-21, this scheme has further been extended for the dependent wards of State Police Personnel who are martyred during Terror/Naxal attacks.*

## **2. Number of Scholarship**

For the wards of CAPFs & AR, total 2000 Scholarships (equally for both girls & boys) under PMSS will be given for the each academic year in addition to renewal cases of previous years. Shortfall in fresh cases shall not be adjusted from girls/boys, if applicants (Boys/Girls) are selected less than 1000. *Similarly, total 500 scholarships will be given to the wards of State Police Personnel who are martyred during Terror/ Naxal attacks in equal number to the Boys and Girls (i.e. 250 for boys and 250 for girls).*

## **3. Eligibility**

### **A) For CAPFs & Assam Rifles :-**

- I) Wards/widows of deceased CAPFs & AR personnel died in harness/election duty, wards of personnel disabled due to causes attributable to Government service and Wards of Ex-CAPFs & AR personnel in receipt of Gallantry Awards.
- II) Wards/widows of retired and serving CAPFs & AR Personnel. (Personnel below Officer Rank)
- III) Pursuing first professional degree programme in the field of Engineering, Medicine, Dental, Veterinary, BBA, BCA, B. Pharma, B.SC (Nursing, Agriculture, etc.), MBA and MCA etc. in accordance with the guidelines as mentioned in Para- 8 (B).
- IV) Having minimum 60% marks in Minimum Entry Qualification (MEQ) i.e. 10+2/Diploma/Graduation or equivalent in case of new applicant.

Or

For applicants applying under renewal category, it is mandatory to pass the each subsequent academic year of the professional courses being pursued by them with minimum 50% marks.

- V) A grace period of one year only for cases, where there is a delay on part of candidate for submission of application for renewal of scholarship may be entertained.

**B) For State Police Forces.**

*Dependent wards of State Police Personnel who are martyred during Terror/ Naxal attacks are eligible under this category subject to the following:-*

- I) Pursuing first professional degree programme in the field of Engineering, Medicine, Dental, Veterinary, BBA, BCA, B. Pharma, B.SC (Nursing, Agriculture, etc.), MBA and MCA etc. in accordance with the guidelines as mentioned in Para- 8 (B).**
- II) Having minimum 60% marks in Minimum Entry Qualification (MEQ) i.e. 10+2/Diploma/Graduation or equivalent in case of new applicant.**

**Or**

*For applicants applying under renewal category, it is mandatory to pass the each subsequent academic year of the professional courses being pursued by them with minimum 50% marks.*

- III) A grace period of one year only for cases, where there is a delay on part of candidate for submission of application for renewal of scholarship may be entertained.**

**4. Order of Preference**

Applications received from the eligible applicants **under new category** will be shortlisted on the basis of order of preference as mentioned below and percentage of marks obtained by them in MEQ:-

**i) For CAPFs/AR personnel**

I)	Category-A	Wards/Widows of CAPFs & AR personnel killed in action.
II)	Category-B	Wards of Ex-CAPFs & AR personnel disabled in action.
III)	Category-C	Wards/Widows of deceased CAPFs & AR personnel died for causes attributable to Government service including casualties during conduct of Election.
IV)	Category-D	Wards of Ex-CAPFs & AR personnel disabled while in service with disability attributable to Government Service.
V)	Category-E	Wards of Ex-CAPFs & AR personnel in receipt of Gallantry Awards.
VI)	Category-F	Wards of Ex- CAPFs & AR personnel (PBOR).
VII)	Category-G	Wards of serving CAPFs & AR personnel (PBOR) subject to availability of scholarship.

**ii) For State / UT Police personnel**

*Dependent wards of State/UT Police Personnel who are martyred during Terror/ Naxal attacks.*

**Note:-**

- I)** Wards of deceased CAPF/AR personnel will be considered for scholarship under Categories “A” to “F” as per their priority, even on compassionate appointment of spouse/NOKs in CAPFs. *Similarly, wards of deceased State Police Force personnel Martyred in terror/naxalite violence will be considered under 4(ii) above.*
- II)** There will be no rank restriction for the categories A to E *and dependent wards of state police personnel who are martyred during Terror/ Naxal attacks.*

- III) The Wards of Assistant Commandant, holding Local Rank of CAPFs & AR (who are not entailing the pay benefits of Assistant Commandant and drawing the Salary of Inspectors) are eligible for granting PMS under category “F” & “G” also.
- IV) This scholarship is admissible for **only two children** per family and should be ensured by the beneficiaries as well as by the respective CAPF & AR/State Govt.
- V) The applicants irrespective of his /her marital status are eligible for PMSS.

5. **Duration of Scholarship**

Up to five years (depending upon the duration of the course being pursued by the applicant and as approved by the respective regulatory body).

6. **Amount of Scholarship**

- I. Rs. 3000/-per month for **girls**.  
To be paid annually after selection.
- II. Rs. 2500/- per month for **boys** @ Rs 36,000/-to each **girl** & Rs 30,000/- to each **boy**

7. **Letter from Hon’ble Prime Minister**

All applicants selected under new category will be given personal letters from Hon’ble Prime Minister in appropriate language.

8. **Guidelines for the Applicant Applying online under PMSS**

Before applying, the applicants should read the instructions/guidelines carefully as mentioned below:-

A) **Minimum Entry Qualification (MEQ) :**

For being eligible for the scholarship under PMSS, an applicant should have secured minimum 60% marks in MEQ i.e. 10+2 / Diploma / Graduation as the case may be. MEQ for entry to various professional courses differs. For example MEQ for MBBS is 10+2 whereas for BE/B.Tech it is 10+2/Diploma. It is graduation for B. Ed and MBA.

**Note: -**

**Wards admitted in 2<sup>nd</sup> year of technical/professional Bachelor Degree Course (BE/B. Tech etc) through lateral entry after completion of Diploma courses are eligible for PMSS.**

- I) In case of applicant passed XII exam from CBSE, marks obtained in best of five subjects out of 500 will be considered for calculating the percentage of marks in MEQ.

B) **Courses applicable under PMSS :**

- I) Only First professional degree courses like BE, B Tech, BDS, MBBS, B.Ed., BBA, BCA, B Pharma, B.Sc (Nursing, Agriculture, etc.) duly recognized by the respective Government Regulatory Bodies, such as All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), Medical Council of India (MCI), University Grant Commission (UGC).

- II) Details of professional degree courses applicable for PMSS are mentioned at Appendix- I.

**C) Scholarship for Integrated Courses**

The PMSS is restricted to first Professional Degree Courses only. It is applicable for B.Ed but not for BA+B.Ed. In case of integrated ME/M.Tech/M.Pharma, the scholarship will be given for initial three/four years as the case may be.

**D) Bank Account**

- I) Aadhar number linked with bank account is mandatory.  
 II) Applicant those fulfilling eligibility criteria and applying under PMSS must have an valid and active bank  
 III) account in any nationalized bank which has Electronic Clearing System (ECS)/Core Banking, to facilitate transfer of scholarship amount directly to their account.  
 IV) In case of minor account, the same should be converted into major account.

**Issue of Payment Failure through PFMS under Direct Benefits Transfer**

- I) **Applicant to provide Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY)/Basic Saving Bank Deposit (BSBD)/ regular savings bank account to receive direct benefits transfer (DBT) and not PPF/loan/FD/RD account number and also provide correct bank account numbers and the demographic details (name, gender, address etc.) which should match the information as appearing with banks and with UIDAI on their respective Aadhaar.**
- II) **Applicant to update their KYC in respect of accounts for receiving DBT payment. They should also request their banks to convert their ‘minor accounts’ into regular PMJDY accounts after KYC updation, as there is no minimum balance requirement in PMJDY accounts.**
- III) **NIC apprised that in case of payment failures due to incorrect account details, students ask Ministry and NIC to provide option to update bank account details sometime twice or even thrice. Hence, the facility to update bank account details shall be provided only once, which can be at any stage after final submission of application by the student.**

**E) Documents Required**

Following documents in the respective category are mandatorily required to be submitted / uploaded by the applicant for applying on-line under PMSS :-

▪ **For Fresh Applicant under category mentioned in para 4(i) above**

- I) Service Certificate to be issued by the H.O.O in case of serving personnel as per **Annexure- A.**

- II) Applicants are required to upload duly attested scanned copy of the Mark sheet MEQ i.e. XII/Diploma/Graduation or equivalent is mandatory along with following certificate which are applicable:
- a) PPO/Discharge Certificate/Book (Mandatory for category A to F)
  - b) Disability Certificate (Mandatory for category B & D)
  - c) Death Certificate (Mandatory for category A & C)
  - d) Certificate of Gallantry award (Mandatory for category E)

▪ **For Fresh Applicant under category mentioned in para 4(ii) above**

*A certificate issued by the State Govt. concerned indicating that the state police personnel was killed in terror/naxal violence is required to be uploaded. This is a mandatory requirement for applying scholarship under PMSS.*

▪ **For Renewal**

- I) Service Certificate to be issued by the H.O.O. in case of serving personnel of category mentioned in para 4(i) above as per **Annexure-A**. *For the applicants under category 4(ii) above, the certificate issued by the educational institution is sufficient.*

**9. Important Instruction:-**

- I). It will be the sole responsibility of the applicant to make sure that he/she is eligible to apply and fulfils all the conditions prescribed for the scholarship.
- II). If in-eligibility of the applicant is detected at any stage, before or after the applying for scholarship scheme, or during at any stage by verification by authorities, his/her scholarship will be cancelled without any notice. Disciplinary action will be taken against him/her, further he/she will be blacklisted to opt for scholarship sponsored by Central Government for a period of five years.
- III). Incomplete application form and failure to attach the requisite documents will lead to rejection of application.
- IV). All the requisite information should be clearly mentioned in the respective column. The information once generated on the part of applicants, no change/amendment will be accepted.
- V) Mobile number and Email address of applicants or wards of CAPFs, AR & *State / UT Police personnel* is mandatory so as to inform the candidate of any discrepancies or development through SMS and Email.

**10. Exclusions**

Categories of applicants **NOT** eligible under PMSS are:

- Applicants not belonging to the category as mentioned under the Column 4(i) & 4(ii) (Order of preference). PMSS is meant for wards/widows of uniformed / combat CAPFs, AR & *State/UT Police personnel*.
- Wards of civilian employees of CAPFs, AR and *State/UT Police personnel*.

- Applicants pursuing professional courses through correspondence /distance learning.
- Applicants availing benefit of other scholarship scheme/getting stipend and financial assistance.
- Applicants already availed scholarship under PMSS.
- Applicants pursuing courses, such as Diploma courses, not leading to award of a degree or pursuing master degree programme except MBA, MCA subject to first professional course.
- Applicants admitted on their own to the college/institute/university **NOT APPROVED** under UGC Act or not recognized by AICTE and not having NBA accredited courses (for Engineering Degree courses) or Not approved by Medical Council of India (for Medical Degree courses).
- Applicants studying Abroad.
- Change of course/college by the Selected Student and get fresh admission in subsequent academic year will lead to rejection of his/her Scholarship for ever.

#### 11. **Payment of Scholarship**

- The Scholarship amount under PMSS from the academic year **2020-21** onwards for applicants selected under fresh and renewal categories would be credited/ transferred directly into the Bank accounts of the selected applicants through **Public Finance Management System (PFMS)** under the **Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT)** Programme of the Government.
- Submission of bank particulars including account number of nationalized bank by the applicant duly seeded with Aadhar Number is mandatory.

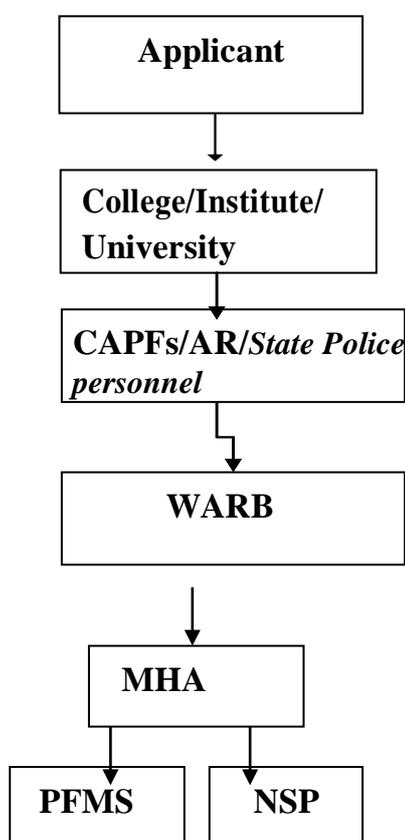
#### 12. **How to apply**

- From the academic year **2020-21** onwards, the Prime Minister's Scholarship Scheme (PMSS) for CAPFs, AR & State Police personnel will be implemented through **National Scholarship Portal(NSP) 2.0 version.**
- For this, all the eligible applicants need to apply online on the website of National Scholarship Portal (NSP) i.e. [www.scholarships.gov.in](http://www.scholarships.gov.in) on or before **15<sup>th</sup> April, 2021.**
- Detailed guidelines and documents/ prescribed proforma required to be scanned and uploaded for both fresh and renewal categories are available on the website of :-
  - i) National Scholarship Portal (**NSP**) version 2.0
  - ii) Welfare and Rehabilitation Board (WARB).
  - iii) Central Armed Police Forces & Assam Rifle ( CAPFs & AR) Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA).

### 13. Main Features of Online Application and Disbursal of Scholarship under PMSS

- I) To automate, streamline and effectively manage entire scholarship process related to submission of application, verification by respective college/institution/university as well as CAPFs/AR, processing and preparation of merit list (for fresh applicants), validation of bank accounts of the beneficiaries, sanction and disbursal of scholarship to the applicants.
- II) No need of any paper movement.
- III) User friendly.
- IV) Applicant can track the status of application and receipt of scholarship through their own user ID (system generated registration number) and password.
- V) Direct credit/transfer of scholarship amount into the bank account of the beneficiaries.

### 14. Online Process Flow for Scholarship



**Applicants** apply online on NSP and upload the requisite documents w.e.f. **25<sup>th</sup> March, 2021**

On successful submission of application/documents, a system generated registration number sent to the applicant which can be used for future references.

**Verify** all the credentials mentioned in the application form the record of College/Institute and recommended the same to the CAPFs, AR & *State Police personnel*.

**Verify** all the credentials & requisite documents uploaded by the applicant related with service certificate, category claimed by the applicant as per order of preference and other eligibility criteria.

i) **Consolidate** the particulars received from CAPFs, AR & *State Police personnel* and list of applicants selected under renewal category.

ii) List of selected applicants will be sent on line to PFMS as well as MHA.

iii) Calculate total scholarship amount required to be sanctioned under PMSS and process for credit/transfer of scholarship directly into the bank account of the beneficiaries through PFMS.

**MHA**- Process for drawl of fund of scholarship amount from PMO.

**PFMS**- Validate bank accounts of the selected applicants from respective bank and credit/transfer of scholarship directly into the bank account of the beneficiaries.

**NSP**- Generation of Merit list of fresh cases, final list of renewal cases & Lot Generation phase as per the guidelines of PMSS. To provide the details of selected/rejected cases to WARB as per the desired proforma.

For this listed college/institute/university, CAPFs, AR & *State/UT Police personnel*, WARB & MHA will be given a login ID & Password for logging on to the online system in order to scrutinize the received application and verify the requisite documents uploaded by the applicants for sanction, payment and tracking of scholarship by all the stake holders under PMSS.

**15. Schedule of Activities (For Fresh & Renewal Scholarship) for academic year 2020-21 are as under:-**

Sl. No.	Activity	Proposed date
1.	Registration/Filling of online application by the applicant on <a href="http://www.scholarships.gov.in">www.scholarships.gov.in</a>	<b>Upto 15<sup>th</sup> April,2021</b>
2.	Scrutiny/verification & confirmation of application by College/Institute/University.	<b>16<sup>th</sup> April,2021 to 30<sup>th</sup> April,2021</b>
3.	Scrutiny/verification & confirmation of application by CAPFs & AR and State Govt.	<b>1<sup>st</sup> May,2021 to 15<sup>th</sup> May,2021</b>
4.	Merit List Preparation & Lot Generation Phase.	<b>16<sup>th</sup> May,2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> May,2021</b>
5.	Processing for sanctioning of scholarship by R&W Directorate, MHA from PMO.	<b>1<sup>st</sup> June,2021 to 10<sup>th</sup> June,2021</b>
6.	Payment File Generation.	<b>11<sup>th</sup> June, 2021 to 20<sup>th</sup> June,2021</b>
7.	Disbursement of scholarship amount.	<b>21<sup>st</sup> June, 2021 to 5<sup>th</sup> July, 2021</b>
8.	Dispatch of personal letters from Hon'ble Prime Minister in appropriate language from WARB/CAPFs/AR.	<b>25<sup>th</sup> July, 2021</b>

**16. Roles and Responsibilities (In brief) of Stake Holders**

❖ **Applicants :**

- Online registration
- Submission of dully filled application
- Uploading of scanned copies of the requisite documents.
- Track the status of application
- Received scholarship amount in Bank account.

❖ **College/Institute/University :**

- Scrutiny/verification of application.
- Confirmation/Recommendation.

❖ **For CAPFs, AR & State Governments:**

- Provide wide publicity for online process of scholarship under PMSS.
- Scrutiny/verification of application by a Board of Officers (BOO) nominated by the respective CAPFs, AR *and State Governments*.
- Confirmation/Recommendation by the Board of Officers (BOO).
- Dispatch of personal letters from Hon'ble Prime Minister in appropriate language for applicants selected under fresh category received from WARB.

❖ **WARB :**

- Provide wide publicity through State Welfare Officer (SWO), District Welfare Officer (DWO) for online process of scholarship under PMSS.
- Consolidation of details of applications under fresh and renewal category.
- Preparation of final list of selected applicants under renewal category.

- In case of similar percentage in merit list, preference will be given to the wards of junior most of CAPFs/AR/*State Police personnel* (of least earned personnel).
  - Calculation of scholarship amount.
  - Processing for sanctioning of scholarship
  - Disbursement of scholarship amount.
  - Dispatch of personal letters from Hon'ble Prime Minister in appropriate language for applicants selected under fresh category through respective CAPFs/AR/*State/UT Governments*.
- ❖ **NSP :**
- Enable the NSP as per the guidelines of PMSS.
  - Resolve all technical issues to be raised by the applicants/verifying authorities.
  - Preparation/generation of Merit list of fresh cases, final list of renewal cases & Lot Generation phase.
  - To provide the details of selected/rejected cases to WARB as per the desired proforma.
- ❖ **PFMS :**
- Validation of bank accounts.
  - Disbursement of scholarships.
- ❖ **MHA/PMO :**
- Processing and sanctioning of scholarships under PMSS.
- 17. Miscellaneous**
- There is no fixed quota of a particular CAPFs, AR and State/UT Governments in the Scholarship.
  - Final list in the case of fresh applicants will be prepared on the basis of their respective category as per order of preference as well as percentage of marks obtained in MEQ.
  - Candidature of a student shall stand automatically rejected if, at any stage, it is found that he/she has secured scholarship fraudulently by submitting false information/documents or suppressed any facts. Such candidate will have to refund the entire amount of scholarship alongwith interest and face appropriate action.
  - For any query or help, applicant can contact respective CAPFs, AR *and State / UT Governments*. For this, a list of contact numbers of respective branch of CAPFs, AR *and State / UT Governments* is attached.
  - Wards of deceased / retired and serving personnel of CAPFs / AR may contact WARB on Telephone number **011-23063111** or email to [secywarb-mha@nic.in](mailto:secywarb-mha@nic.in).
  - The decision of Joint Secretary (Police-II), with regard to the admissibility of the scholarship for the wards of CAPFs/AR/*State/UT Police personnel* shall be final.
  - The MHA, Government of India can suitably modify the above mentioned guidelines/instructions from time to time as per requirement/necessity arising in future for successful implementation of the Scheme.

**The guidelines/instructions as mentioned above are merely illustrative not exhaustive. Suitable amendments can be made on receipt of the views/comments from all the stakeholders.**

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# **Prime Minister's Scholarship Scheme for the wards of RPF/RPSF**

(Revised guidelines for submission of applications online for the academic year 2022-23 and onwards)

## **1. INTRODUCTION**

Prime Minister's Scholarship Scheme (PMSS) under the aegis of the National Defence Fund, was announced by the then Hon'ble Prime Ministers of India in his address to the nation from the historical Red Fort on 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2005. Prime Minister's Scholarship Scheme was introduced from the Academic year 2008-09 for RPF. It was introduced to encourage higher technical and professional education for the dependent wards of Ex/Serving RPF/RPSF personnel and widows (below the Rank of Gazetted officer)

## **2. SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE**

A total number of 150 students (from academic session 2015-16) have been earmarked to RPF for an academic session. Half of the scholarships are reserved for female candidates i.e. 75. *Shortfall in fresh cases shall not be adjusted from girls/boys, if applicants (boys/girls) are available less than 75.* It is also mentioned that un-allocated quota in any gender may not be utilized for other category (boys/girls). Distribution of scholarship among Zonal Railways and RPSF will be as under:-

<b>Zone/Organization</b>	<b>Quota</b>
CR+KRCL	10
ECoR	06
ECR	08
ER	16
NCR+CORE	06
NER	06
NFR	08
NR+JR RPF Academy + RDSO	16
NWR+ Construction	04
SCR	06
SECR	04
SER	10
SR+ICF	10
SWR	04
WCR	04
WR	10
RPSF	22
<b>Total</b>	<b>150</b>

### **3. COURSES ELIGIBLE FOR THE PMSS**

Professional Degree Courses like BE, B.Tech, BDS, MBBS, BEd, BBS, BCA, MCA B. Pharma, etc. duly recognized by the respective Government Regulatory Bodies, such as All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), Medical Council of India(MCI), University Grants Commission (UGC), National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) etc. (**Master Degree Courses are not eligible for PMSS except MBA, MCA**). Detailed list of courses is enclosed as **Annexure-I**. Students studying abroad are not eligible for this scheme. No distance learning course is permitted under this scheme. PMSS can be availed for one course only.

### **1. STUDENTS ELIGIBLE FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP**

Students who have taken regular admission in 2022-23 are only eligible for PMSS 2022-23. Students should have secured 60% and above in Minimum Entry Qualification (MEQ) i.e. 12<sup>th</sup> Std., Diploma/Graduation.

The scholarship is admissible for only two wards per family and should be ensured by the beneficiaries as well as by the concerned zonal Railways/RPSF.

Colleges/institutes/universities eligible: Only the institutes/universities/colleges having AISHE regulation will be permissible.

### **5. AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP**

(a) The amount of scholarship would be as follows:

- (i) ₹2500/- per month for male students
- (ii) ₹3000/- per month for female students

(b) The payment of scholarship will be granted after approval of the DG/RPF as per order of merit in each year.

**6. LETTER FROM HON'BLE PRIME MINISTER** – All applicants selected under new category will be given personal letter from Hon'ble Prime Minister in appropriate language.

**7. DURATION OF THE SCHOLARSHIP** : Two to five years as per duration of course.

### **8. ORDER OF PREFERENCE**

If the number of applications exceeds the number of available scholarships, the order of preference for allotment of scholarship will be as under-

- Category (I):** Wards/widows of ex-RPF/RPSF personnel who died in harness due to causes attributed to encounter with terrorist or with criminals while protecting Railway Property, Passengers and Passenger Area or those who die during election work.
- Category (II):** Wards/Widows of ex-RPF/RPSF personnel who died while in service.
- Category (III):** Wards of ex-RPF/RPSF (retired) personnel.
- Category (IV):** Wards of serving RPF/RPSF personnel.

## 9. MINIMUM MARKS IN MEQ

At least 60% marks/equivalent grade in MEQ for entry to various Professional Courses for the initial sanction of scholarship. MEQ for various courses are as under-

S.No.	Professional Course/Technical Course	MEQ
1	MBBS and equivalent Medical courses	12 <sup>th</sup> Standard
2	B.E., B.Tech	10+2/Diploma (Diploma in case of lateral entry)
3	BBA, BCA, B.Sc.(Ag) etc.	12 <sup>th</sup> Standard
4	MBA, B.Ed., MCA	Graduation
5	BA LLB/BBA LLB/BSc LLB/B.Com LLB (5 year Integrated course only)	12 <sup>th</sup> Standard

## 10. HOW TO APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIP.

From the academic year 2017-18 onwards, the PMSS for RPF (Ministry of Railways) is being implemented through National Scholarship Portal (NSP2.0). For this, all the eligible applicants need to apply online on the website [www.scholarship.gov.in](http://www.scholarship.gov.in) for the academic year 2022-23 and onwards. Final compiled list of eligible candidates will be prepared by Security Directorate, Railway Board for onward submission to PMO.

Mobile number is mandatory to register on National Scholarships Portal on which One Time Password (OTP) will be received for further process. A maximum of two registrations may be made with a mobile number. Students will ensure that the college/institute/university etc. has registered with AISHE and been allocated the AISHE Code/Regulation.

### 10.1: DOCUMENTS REQUIRED

Following documents in the respective category are mandatorily required to be submitted/uploaded by the applicant for applying under PMSS:

#### For Fresh Applicant:

- i. Service Certificate issued by respective offices of the serving personnel for category IV. (As per **Annexure II**).
- ii. A copy of PPO/Discharge certificate/book for Categories I, II and III.
- iii. Applicants are required to upload scanned copy of the mark-sheet/Grade card of MEQ i.e. 10+2/ Diploma/Graduation (as the case may be).

#### For Renewal Applicant:

- i. Latest Service Certificate issued by respective offices of the serving personnel for category IV. (As per **Annexure II**).
- ii. Applicants are required to upload scanned copy of the previous class mark-sheet/Grade card/Proof of up gradation to next class issued by competent authority. (as the case may be).

Detailed guidelines and documents/prescribed proforma shall be available on the website:

- National Scholarship Portal ([www.scholarships.gov.in](http://www.scholarships.gov.in))

- Railway Board website (<http://www.indianrailways.gov.in/railwayboard>)

## 10.2: Verification of application form:

First level of verification (L-1) of the application is Institute Nodal Officer (INO). INO should be permanent or regular employee of the Institute.

Second level of verification (L-2) of the application is Zonal Nodal officer (ZNO):

## **10.3 : RENEWAL OF SCHOLARSHIP**

The renewal of scholarship can be done by the applicant on the National Scholarship Portal using his application ID generated at the time of registration. Documents may be uploaded by the candidate which including a certificate from the College/Institute indicating the result of previous class/semester as well as indicating that the student is pursuing the course.

## **11. DISQUALIFICATION**

If a student granted scholarship on the basis of statement made in the application is at any subsequent date found to have made false information in any respect, all the remaining scholarship will forfeit and no application from the ex/serving RPF/window would be entertained in future. The amount paid would also have to be refunded. In addition to this, if student does not pass the current class in the same Academic Year or discontinues the course, he/she will become disqualify for further renewal of scholarship.

## **12. DISBURSAL OF SCHOLARSHIP**

Zonal Railways will verify the applications on scholarship portal, after due verification at their end. Only verified applications will be considered for grant of scholarship if found eligible as per extant provisions.

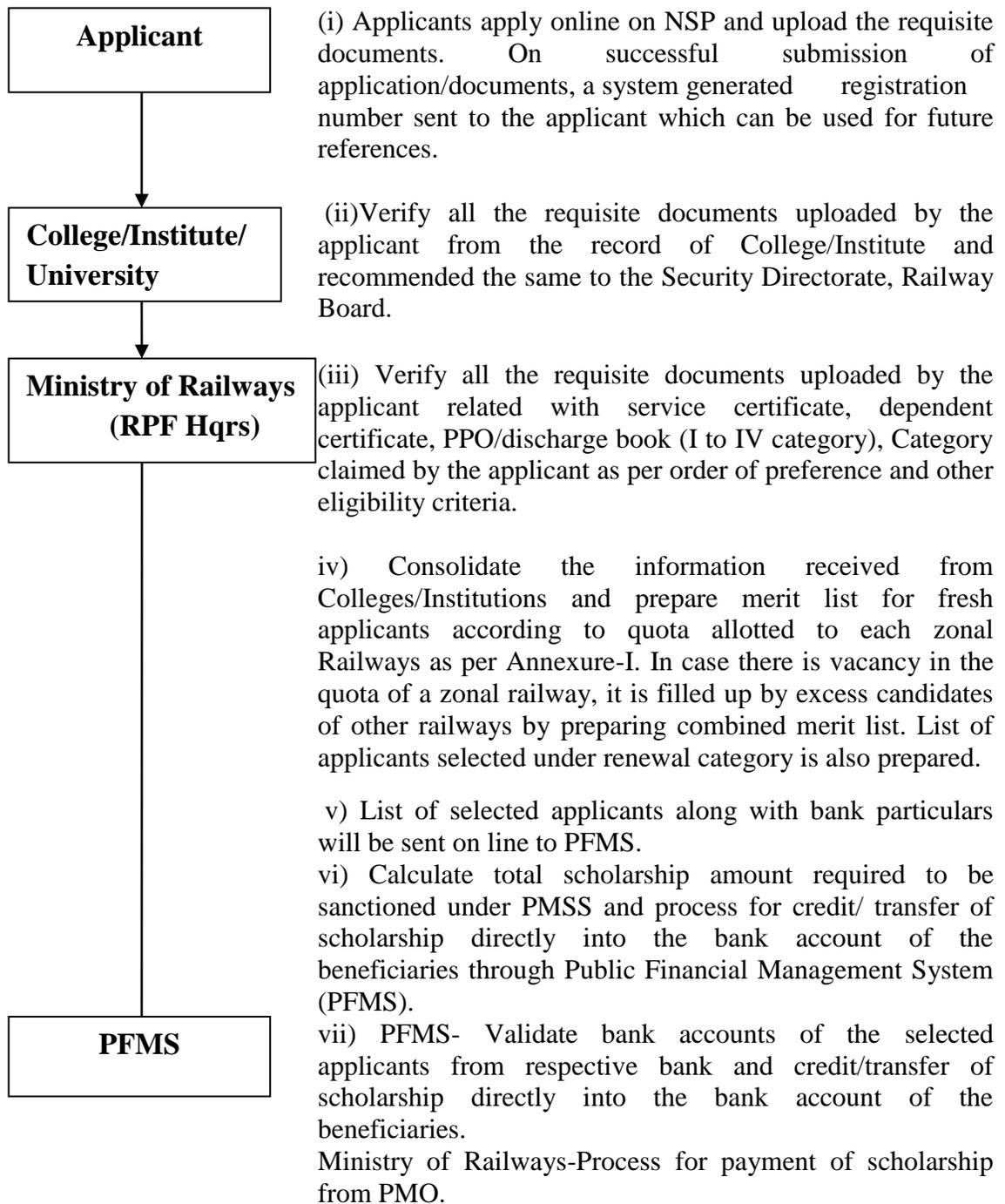
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Submission of bank particulars including account number of nationalized bank by the applicant duly seeded with Aadhaar Number is mandatory.

## **13. Main Features of Online Application and Disbursal of Scholarship under PMSS:-**

- (i) To automate, streamline and effectively manage entire scholarship process related to submission of application, verification by respective college/institution/university as well as Zonal Railways/RPSF, processing and preparation of merit list (for fresh applicants), validation of bank accounts of the beneficiaries, sanction and disbursal of scholarship to the applicants.
- (ii) No need of any paper movement.
- (iii) User friendly.
- (iv) Applicant can track the status of applicants and receipt of scholarship through their own user ID (system generated registration number) and password.
- (v) Direct credit/transfer of scholarship amount into the bank account of the beneficiaries.

## 14. Online Process Flow for Scholarship



- ❖ For this listed college/institute/university, RPF(Ministry of Railways) will be given a login ID & Password for logging on to the online system in order to scrutinize the received application and verify the requisite documents uploaded by the applicants for sanction, payment and tracking of scholarship by all the stake holders under PMSS.

## 15. Schedule of Activities (For Fresh & Renewal Scholarship) (Tentative)

Sl. No	Activity	Last date
1.	Filling of online application by the applicant on <a href="http://www.scholarship.gov.in">www.scholarship.gov.in</a>	31 October
2.	Scrutiny/verification & confirmation of application by College/Institute/University	15 November
3.	Scrutiny/verification of application by Zonal Railways (State Level)	30 November
4.	Consolidation/preparation of merit list & processing for sanctioning of scholarship by Security Dte./Ministry of Railways.	15 December
4.	Validation of bank account by PFMS	30 December
5.	Processing for sanctioning of scholarship by Security Dte., Ministry of Railways from PMO	15 January
6.	Disbursal of scholarship amount	30 January 2021
7.	Dispatch of personal letters from Hon'ble Prime Minister in appropriate language from Security Dte./Railway Board.	15 February 2021

### 1. Roles and Responsibilities (In brief) of Stake Holders

#### ❖ Applicants :

- Online registration
- Submission of dully filled application
- Uploading of scanned copies of the requisite documents.
- Track the status of application
- Received scholarship amount in Bank account.

#### ❖ College/Institute/University :

- Scrutiny/verification of application
- Confirmation/Recommendation

#### ❖ Zonal HQ/RPSF HQ :

- Provide wide publicity for online process of scholarship under PMSS  
Scrutiny/verification of application (State Level Verification)

#### ❖ Security Dte./Ministry of Railways:

- Provide wide publicity through Zonal Railways for online process of scholarship under PMSS
- Scrutiny/Consolidation of received applications
- Preparation of merit list for fresh applicants as per 11(iv) above
- Preparation of final list of selected applicants under renewal category
- Calculation of scholarship amount
- Processing for sanctioning of scholarship
- Disbursement of scholarship
- Dispatch of personal letters from Hon'ble Prime Minister in appropriate language for applicants selected under fresh category through Security Dte./Ministry of Railways.

❖ **PFMS :**

- Validation of bank account
- Disbursement of scholarship

❖ **Ministry of Railways/PMO :**

- Processing and sanctioning of scholarship under PMSS

**17. Miscellaneous**

- Final list in case of fresh applicants will be prepared on the basis of their respective category as per order of preference as well as percentage of marks obtained in MEQ.
- Candidature of a student shall stand automatically rejected if, at any stage, it is found that he/she has secured scholarship fraudulently by submitting false information/documents or suppressed any facts. Such candidate will have to refund the entire amount of scholarship along with interest, followed by appropriate action.
- For any query or help, Wards of deceased/retired/service personnel (applicant) may contact to **Mr. Ajeet Singh, Section Officer/Sec(Spl), Security Dte./Railway Board, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi** on Telephone number **011-23303283, 23041532 & 030-43283 (Rly)** or email to [ajeet.singh11@gov.in](mailto:ajeet.singh11@gov.in)
- The decision of DG/RPF, with regard to the admissibility of the scholarship for RPF shall be final.
- The Ministry of Railways, Government of India can suitably modify the above mentioned guidelines/instructions from time to time as per requirement/necessity arising in future for successful implementation of the scheme.

*The guidelines/instructions as mentioned above are merely illustrative not exhaustive. Suitable amendments may be made on receipt of the views/comments from all the stakeholders.*

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