Scholarships & Education Loan

National Scholarships

Central Scheme Of Scholarship For College And University Students

The National Merit Scholarship Scheme, the objective of which was to provide financial assistance to meritorious students studying from Class XI to Post-Graduation level in Government Schools/Colleges and Universities has been discontinued with effect from 1.4.2007. However, a new Central Sector Scheme of Scholarship for College and University Students has been introduced during XI Five Year Plan. The objective of the scheme is to provide financial assistance to meritorious students from poor families to meet a part of their day-to-day expenses while pursuing higher studies.

The scholarships are awarded on the basis of the results of senior secondary examination. 82000 fresh scholarships per annum (41000 for boys and 41000 for girls) for graduate/post-graduate studies in colleges and universities and for professional courses, such as Medical, Engineering, etc. could be provided. The total number of scholarships has been divided amongst the State Boards based on the State’s population in the age group of 18-25 years, after segregating share of Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) and Council for the Indian School Certificate Examination (CISCE) on the basis of number of students passing out from various Boards in the country. The number of scholarships allotted to the Boards are to be distributed amongst pass out of the Science, Commerce and Humanities streams of the Boards in the ratio of 3:2:1. Students who are above 80th percentile of successful candidates in the relevant stream for a particular Board of Examination, in class XII of 10+2 pattern or equivalent and having family income of less than Rs. 6 lakhs per annum, pursuing regular courses (not correspondence or distance mode) from recognised educational institutions and not availing any other scholarship scheme, would be eligible for consideration under this scheme. This is applicable to all categories of students both ‘general’ and ‘reserved’.

The rate of scholarship are Rs. 1000/- at Graduation level for the first three years of College and University courses and Rs. 2000/- per month at Post-Graduation level. Students pursuing professional courses would get Rs. 2000/- per month in the 4th and 5th year. The scholarships would be paid for 10 months in an academic year. This is subject to annual renewal on the basis of stringent criteria.

The Central Sector Scheme of Scholarship for College and University Students is covered under the Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT). Under the Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) Programme of the Government of India, scholarships are disbursed directly into the bank accounts of the beneficiaries.

For smooth operation of the Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT), the Central Plan Scheme Monitoring System (CPSMS) has been devised. The CPSMS is a Web Based Transaction System, which facilitates Aadhaar Payment Bridge (APB) and Electronic Clearance Service (ECS)/National Electronic Clearing Service (NECS)/National Electronic Funds Transfer (NEFT) based payments.

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Scheme Of Scholarship To Students From Non-Hindi Speaking States For PostMatricStudies In Hindi

The objectives of the Scheme is to encourage the study of Hindi in non-Hindi speaking States and to make available to the State Governments, suitable personnel to man teaching and other posts where knowledge of Hindi is essential.

The Scheme was revised from 2004-05. Under the revised Scheme, 2500 Scholarships are provided to meritorious students studying at Post-Metric to Ph.D level, for recognized fulltime courses of education for study of Hindi as one of the subjects on the basis of the results of “examinations next below” conducted by a Board of Education or a University or a Voluntary Hindi Organisation. The rate of Scholarship ranges from Rs.300/- to 1000/- per month depending upon the course/stage of study. This scheme is implemented through the State Government/UT Administrations.

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Special Scholarship Scheme For Jammu & Kashmir

In 2010, an Expert Group was set up by the Prime Minister in the context of enhancing employment opportunity in J&K and to formulate job plan involving the public and private sector. Among the key recommendations of the Expert Group, one was to offer 5000 scholarships, per annum, over the next five years, to encourage the youth of J&K to pursue higher studies outside the State of J&K. An outlay of Rs.12000 crore was recommended for this initiative over the next five years. This scheme is being implemented from 2011-12.

Under the Scheme, the students belonging to the State of Jammu & Kashmir, who have passed the Class XII or equivalent exam through the State Board of Jammu & Kashmir or from the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) affiliated schools located in Jammu & Kashmir, and pursuing general degree courses, engineering and medical studies in Colleges/ Institutes located outside the State of Jammu & Kashmir, are eligible for scholarship provided their parental income is less than Rs. 6.00 lakhs per annum.

The Scheme aims to provide tuition fees, hostel fees, cost of books and other incidental charges to students. Five thousand fresh
scholarships are available every year, of which 4500 scholarships are for general degree courses, 250 for engineering and 250 for medical studies. The scheme is being implemented through a web portal of All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) (http://www.aicte-india.org/JnKadmissions.html).

An Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC) under the Chairmanship of Secretary (HE) regularly monitors the implementation of the Special Scholarship Scheme for J&K Students. The Committee has Advisor (PAMD), Planning Commission and representative of Department of Expenditure as Members and representatives of the Ministries of Social Justice and Empowerment, Tribal Affairs, Home Affairs, Health & Family Welfare and Department of Science and Technology along with representative of the Govt. of J&K as invitees.

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