

Important Instructions Scholarship Application

1. Registration for OTR:

- Make sure you are registered for the One-Time Registration (OTR).
- Remember, you need to have an active phone number linked with your Aadhaar for OTR.
- You can watch a video related to OTR [here](#).
- Link your bank account with your Aadhaar

2. Student Login:

- Go to the student login page using your OTR credentials: [Student Login](#).

3. Fill in All Details:

- Complete all the required details in the application form.

4. Documents: The documents to be submitted depend on the scheme you choose

5. Income Certificate:

- An income certificate is compulsory and must be obtained from the appropriate authority.
- As per latest scholarship guidelines, and, Government Notification, only the Income Certificates issued by the Deputy Commissioners of all districts, Sub-Divisional Officers of the Sub-Divisions and Block Development Officers will be acceptable during scholarship application. Certificates issued by other authorities or by affidavit will no longer be acceptable.
- You can visit the Block Development Office and bring the income information from the headman to obtain an Income Certificate from the BDO.

OR

- You can apply for the income certificate online via [this link](#).
- However, to apply online, you must create an affidavit for declaration. Therefore, it's better to visit the block office so that you can avoid the need to make an affidavit
- An affidavit is required to apply for the income certificate. If you need help with the affidavit, please call this number 7085551277.
- **Note:** The affidavit is not treated as income like in previous years. You cannot upload the affidavit as income, but you need it to apply for the income certificate.

6. Verification:

- Verification is very important. There will be different levels of verification:
 - Institute Level

- State Level
- Ministry Level

- If any level of verification is not completed, your scholarship will be rejected.
- Remember to provide appropriate information; otherwise, the authority will not verify your scholarship.
- There will be a last date for verification at all levels, so log in frequently to check whether your scholarship has been verified.
- If your scholarship is not verified before the last date, pressure your institute or the respective authority to complete the verification.

7. **Last Date for Application:** As of now, the last date for the application of all schemes is 31 October 2024. However, based on past trends, this deadline is often extended until the first week of February. Additionally, since admissions for MBBS are still ongoing, it is likely that an extension will occur. ***“However, you should not wait until the last minute. If all your documents are ready, apply as soon as possible.”***

8. **Legal Notice:**

- If those responsible for the verification neglect their duties, leading to a student's deprivation of scholarship due to delays, you can take legal action against them and demand compensation for the scholarship. I will assist you in such cases if they arise.
- Therefore, I kindly request all individuals responsible for verification to process the student scholarships as soon as possible to avoid any complications.

9. **Which Scholarship is Suited for You?**

- There will be different schemes available based on your academic performance and course of study. However, you can choose only one scholarship and cannot apply for all of them.
- You can study the related state schemes based on the information provided below and choose according to your eligibility.

National Fellowship & Scholarship for Higher Education of ST Students

Ministry: Ministry of Tribal Affairs

Eligibility: ST students who have secured admission on merit to premier institutes. Family income should not exceed **₹6 lakh per annum**.

Universities/Institutions Covered Under the Scheme:

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The Ministry of Tribal Affairs is authorized to select and notify a list of reputed premier institutions. The current list of 252 notified institutions is provided in Annexure-I. Students who have been admitted to these notified institutions are not eligible to apply under the Post-Matric Scholarship Scheme of this Ministry to avoid duplication.

Present List of 252 Notified Institutions(Guideline/Source): [View Here](#) (See pages 24-25)

Note: Even if the institute is not listed, you may still be eligible. If you are eligible, it will appear in your portal after you complete the form. When you select the scheme, it will be visible there.

Benefits: Full tuition and admission fees for government institutions; up to ₹2.5 lakh per annum for private institutions. ₹3,000 per month as a stipend for 10 months. ₹5,000 per annum for books and stationery. One-time assistance of ₹45,000 for a computer and accessories. A total of ₹35,000 per year till the completion of the course and ₹45,000 one-time.

Special Note: There is no limit on the number of slots, so all eligible students can apply. Students admitted under the Management quota are not eligible.

Advice: All students who are eligible for this scholarship should apply and not apply for any other scholarship.

AICTE – Pragati Scholarship Scheme for Girl Students (Diploma)

Ministry: AICTE

Eligibility: Girl students enrolled in the 1st year or 2nd year (via lateral entry) of a Diploma course in AICTE-approved institutions. A maximum of two girl children per family with a family income of up to **₹8 lakh per annum**.

Benefits: ₹50,000 per annum for each year of study, covering expenses such as tuition fees, books, and other academic costs.

Special Note: There is no limit on the number of slots; all eligible girl students from Meghalaya will receive the scholarship.

Advice: Girl students enrolled in the 1st year or 2nd year (via lateral entry) of a Diploma course in AICTE-approved institutions should apply for this scholarship, especially those studying in Shillong, Jowai, and Tura Polytechnics.

Guideline/Source:

https://scholarships.gov.in/public/schemeGuidelines/AICTE/AICTE_2011_G.pdf

AICTE – Pragati Scholarship Scheme for Girl Students (Degree)

Ministry: AICTE

Eligibility: Girl students enrolled in the 1st year or 2nd year (via lateral entry) of a Degree course in AICTE-approved institutions. A maximum of two girl children per family with a family income of up to **₹8 lakh per annum**.

Benefits: ₹50,000 per annum for each year of study.

Special Note: Similar to the Diploma scheme, there is no slot limit for this scholarship, ensuring that all eligible applicants will receive the award.

Advice: Girl students enrolled in the 1st year or 2nd year (via lateral entry) of a B.Tech Degree or technical courses in private institutes or with low 12th percentage in AICTE-approved institutions should apply for this scholarship.

Guideline/Source:

https://scholarships.gov.in/public/schemeGuidelines/AICTE/AICTE_2010_G.pdf

National Scholarship for Postgraduate Studies

Ministry: UGC

Eligibility: 10,000 National Scholarships, or as may be decided by the Commission, at the rate of ₹15,000 per month for 10 months in a year, are available for Indian students for two years to pursue higher studies within India, leading to the award of a Postgraduate Degree under the scheme 'National Scholarship for Postgraduate Studies'.

Benefits: ₹15,000 per month for 10 months (₹1,50,000 per annum).

Special Note: The slots will be allocated as per the Government of India reservation policy. However, 30% of the slots will be reserved for women candidates. The slots reserved for women students will be filled first by 'Single/twin/fraternal Girl Child' without considering their marks in UG examinations. The remaining slots will be filled based on merit.

Advice: Since this scholarship is based on the Government of India's reservation policy and 30% of the slots will be reserved for women candidates, i.e., 7.5% reserved for ST (750 slots for All India ST, not just Meghalaya) and 30% for Women (3,000 slots for All India, not just Meghalaya), students with higher percentages in their degree should opt for this. However, if you want to take the risk, you may apply.

Guideline/Source:

https://scholarships.gov.in/public/schemeGuidelines/Guidelines_NATIONAL_SCHOLARSHIP_FOR_POSTGRADUATE_STUDIES_UGC_2324.pdf

Ishan Uday Special Scholarship Scheme for North Eastern Region

Ministry: UGC

Eligibility: 10,000 Scholarships at the rate of ₹8,000 per month for 10 months in a year are available for students belonging to the economically weaker section of the North Eastern Region with a family income below **₹4.5 lakh per annum**.

Benefits: ₹8,000 per month for 10 months (₹80,000 per annum).

Advice: Since there are 10,000 slots for all Northeast students, those with higher Class 12 percentages who are pursuing a 1st-year degree and not eligible for the National Fellowship & Scholarship for Higher Education of ST Students should opt for this.

Guideline/Source:

https://scholarships.gov.in/public/schemeGuidelines/Guidelines_ISHAN%20UDAY_2324.pdf

Umbrella Scheme for Education of ST Students - Pre-Matric Scholarship (Class IX & X) (Meghalaya)

Eligibility: ST students in Class IX and X with a family income not exceeding **₹2.5 lakh per annum**.

Benefits:

Day Scholars: ₹225 per month for 10 months + ₹750 annually for books (₹3,000 total).

Hostellers: ₹525 per month for 10 months + ₹1,000 annually for books (₹6,250 total).

Special Note: Students with low Class 8 and 9 percentages should apply for this.

Guideline/Source:

<https://scholarships.gov.in/public/schemeGuidelines/meghalaya/meghalayaPreMatric.pdf>

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Umbrella Scheme for Education of ST Students - Post-Matric Scholarship (PMS) (Meghalaya)

Eligibility: ST students pursuing post-matric education with a family income not exceeding **₹2.5 lakh per annum**.

Benefits:

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Group I (Professional courses like Bachelors, Masters, MPhil/PhD): Hostellers ₹1,200 per month (₹12,000 for 10 months), Day Scholars ₹550 per month (₹5,500 for 10 months).

Group II (Non-professional degree courses like BA, BSc, MA): Hostellers ₹820 per month (₹8,200 for 10 months), Day Scholars ₹530 per month (₹5,300 for 10 months).

Group III (Vocational courses like ITI, Polytechnics): Hostellers ₹570 per month (₹5,700 for 10 months), Day Scholars ₹300 per month (₹3,000 for 10 months).

Group IV (Non-degree courses requiring Class X as a qualification): Hostellers ₹380 per month (₹3,800 for 10 months), Day Scholars ₹230 per month (₹2,300 for 10 months).

Advice: Students in their 2nd or 3rd year who haven't applied for any scholarships, as well as 1st-year students, are not eligible for other scholarships and should apply for this one. Additionally, students in Class 11 or 12 with a lower percentage in Class 10 or Class 11 should also apply for this scholarship.

Guideline/Source:

<https://scholarships.gov.in/public/schemeGuidelines/meghalaya/meghalayaPostMatric.pdf>

National Means Cum Merit Scholarship

Ministry: Department of School Education and Literacy

Eligibility: The parental income ceiling has been enhanced to **₹3.5 lakh per annum**. The renewal criteria have been revised from securing a minimum of 60% in Class IX. Under this scheme, 100,000 fresh scholarships of ₹12,000 per annum are awarded to meritorious students every year at the Class IX level, which can be continued up to Class XII.

Benefits: ₹12,000 per annum.

Advice: Students with high percentages in Class VIII or IX should apply for this scholarship rather than the Umbrella Scheme for Education of ST Students - Pre-Matric Scholarship (Class IX & X). **Meghalaya has 231 slots allocated for this scholarship.**

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Guideline/Source:

<https://scholarships.gov.in/public/schemeGuidelines/NMSSGuidelines.pdf>

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