

State Merit Scholarship to UG/PG Students

In a large number of cases brilliant students are unable to pursue higher studies due to lack of financial resources. Not only this results in their own career being belighted but it also causes loss to the community at large which would ultimately have profited by their services had it been possible for their talent to flourish. In order that on really brilliant student is prevented on grounds of poverty alone from pursuing an academic career and with a view to giving them a sense of belonging as also an active awareness of their duty to the community, the State Govt. has formulated a scheme for the award of Merit-cum-Poverty Scholarships to the poor (Economically backward classes) but talented students in colleges for General University Education for Degree, Post-Graduate and Doctorate Courses.

1. **Title :** These merit-cum-poverty Scholarships which shall be known as Govt. Merit Scholarships in colleges for General University Education shall be further classified as follows:

- (a) Common Open Merit Scholarships for the urban and rural areas to be known as Open Merit Scholarships (Both for boys and girls) for post-Graduate Courses i.e. M.A./M.Sc./M.Com./Ph.D.
- (b) Open Merit Scholarships for boys and girls (for Degree Course).
- (c) Rural Area Merit Scholarships for boys and girls (for Degree Course).
- (d) Rural Area Merit Scholarships for boys and girls (for Prep./ Hr.Sec. Course).
- (e) Rural Area Merit Scholarships for boys and girls (for Prep./ Hr.Sec. Course).

The term rural area in this Scheme means such villages as fall within the limits of Panchayats (Established under the statutory legislation in the Haryana State) but bear distinct the name from these areas as are covered by a Small Town/Notified Area/Municipal Committee or Cantonment Board or Corporation or any other urban area declared as such by the awarding authority in consultation with any appropriate authority (if necessary).

ALLOCATION

2. Allocation, Kind, Number, Value and duration of scholarships

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Name of Exam. on the basis of which scholarships are to be awarded	Kinds of Scholarships Boys Girls Open Rural Open Rural Total	Value per month	Duration
(a) For Post Matric Courses			
(i) Matric	32 31 32 30 125	Rs. 50/-	year in Prep/ Hr.Sec. II
(ii) 10+2	15 10 15 10 50	Rs. 100/-	Minimum tenure is 3 academic years for B.A./B.Sc./B.Com./ B.Sc. Home Science Course (including Hon's) School Course.
(iii) 10+2	90 60 90 60 300	Rs. 100/-	--do--
(b) For Post Graduate Course			
(1) B.A./B.Sc. /B.Com.	(i) 100 (Common for all) 100 (ii) 5 (Common for all) 5	Rs. 150/- Rs. 150/-	Maximum tenure two academic years for M.A./M.Sc.Hons./ M.Sc./M.Com./M.Sc. /Home Science Course. Maximum tenure one academic year for B.T./B.Ed. Course.
(2)M.A./M.Sc. /M.Com	5 (Common for all) 5	Rs. 300/-	One Scholarship is Tenable at Jawahar Lal Nehru University,

		Rs. 585/-	New Delhi for full duration of M.Phil./Ph.D. Course Minimum three years.
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Note-I This distribution shall be reviewed each year according to the number of examinees fall in the Pre-University Examination. A corresponding increase or decrease shall be made in the number of Scholarships to be awarded on the result of Higher Secondary (Final) Examination. This revision shall be made without making any change in the ceiling fixed for Open and Rural Area Merit Scholarships.

Revision in Scholarship rates and increase in the number of scholarship under State Merit Scholarship Scheme-S.N.E. (Non-Plan) 2007-2008. Revised Number and Rate w.e.f. vide No. U.O. 60/76/2007-2 F.D.II/2848 dated 4.02.2008.

1. MATRIC SCHOLARSHIP :-						
	Boys		Girls		Total	Rate P.M.
	Urban	Rural	Urban	Rural		
Number according to the Scheme	32	31	32	30	125	50/-
Number increases in 1996-1997	128	124	128	120	500	50/-
Number & rate increases in 2007-2008	175	175	175	175	700	150/-
2. 10+2 SCHOLARSHIP :-						
	Boys		Girls		Total	Rate P.M.
	Urban	Rural				
Number according to the Scheme	90	60	90	60	300	100/-
Number increases in 1996-1997	105	70	105	70	350	100/-
Number & rate increases in 2007-2008	150	100	150	100	500	300/-
3. DEGREE LEVEL SCHOLARSHIP :-						
	GROUP 'A'	GROUP 'B'	GROUP 'C'	Total	Rate P.M.	
Number according to the Scheme	56	44	--	100	150/-	
Number increases in 1996-1997	56	44	50	150	150/-	
Number & rate increases in 2007-2008	73	60	67	200	450/-	
4. B.Ed. / M.Phil / Ph.D. SCHOLARSHIP:-						
	B.Ed. Level	Rate P.M.	M.Phil / Ph.D.	Rate P.M.		
Number according to the Scheme	5	150	5	300		
Number increases in 1996-1997	5	150	5	300		
Number increases in 2007-2008	5	450	5	900		

Note-II The subject-wise allocation of 200 Scholarships for Master's Degree will be as follows:-

Group 'A'

Sr.No	Subject	Total of Existing Number of Scholarship	Revised Number of Scholarship
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1.	Physics	6	7
2.	Chemistry	6	7
3.	Zoology	6	7
4.	Botany	6	7
5.	Geology	4	5
6.	Mathematics	6	8
7.	English	6	9
8.	Micro-Biology	2	3
9.	Bio-Physics	2	3
10.	Bio-Chemistry	2	3
11.	Home Science	4	5
12.	Geography	4	5
13.	Bio-Science	1	2
14.	Earth Science	1	2
	Total	56	73

Group 'B'

Sr.No	Subject	Total of Existing Number of Scholarship	Revised Number of Scholarship
1.	Economics	6	8
2.	Psychology	4	5
3.	History	4	6
4.	Philosophy	2	3
5.	Pol. Science	4	5
6.	Public Administration	2	3
7.	Hindi	6	8
8.	Sanskrit	4	6
9.	Sociology	2	3
10.	Commerce	4	5
11.	Statistics	2	3
12.	Music	4	5
	Total	44	60

Group 'C'

Sr.No	Subject	Total of Existing Number of Scholarship	Revised Number of Scholarship
1.	Management (any specialisation)	6	9
2.	Computer Science	6	9
3.	Electronic Science	6	9
4.	Law (L.L.B)	6	7
5.	Punjabi	4	5
6.	Journalism & Mass Communication	4	5

7.	Library & Information Science	4	5
8.	Education / M.Ed.	6	7
9.	Fine Arts	4	5
10.	L.L.M.	2	3
11.	Tourism/Hotel Management	2	3
	Total	50	67

Note: Post graduation in Linguistics, Geo-Physics & Social work may also be allowed to be clubbed with English, Geography and Sociology respectively in Group A and B.

- (i) The break up of the Scholarships given above is provisional and the awarding authority may change it if and when necessary. In case of M.Sc. classes so long as two types of M.Sc. courses (one for 2 years duration and the other of one year's duration) are continued by the Panjab, Kurukshetra, Maharishi Dayanand University, Rohtak and H.A.U., Hissar one Scholarship per subject where different types of courses exist) will be earmarked in each subject for 2 years M.Sc. Course.
- (ii) Further in the case of Scholarships to be awarded for M.A./M.Sc. classes if no eligible candidate is available in any group, the Scholarship falling vacant in each group will be awarded on the basis of priority of subjects for the subject of the same group for which an eligible candidates is available. In case the eligible candidates are not available for all the subjects in one group, the vacant Scholarships will be utilised for the subject in the other group for which the eligible candidates are available.
- (iii) The Scholarships vacated by the students of Pre-Engineering/Pre-Medical on account of their migration to the Medical, Engineering and other Technical and Professional courses (where these Scholarships are not tenable) shall be awarded as Common Open Merit Scholarships on the result of Part I (T.D.C.) Examination. Similarly the students who, after passing T.D.C. (Part I) Examination migrate to B.Sc. (Hon. School) course, shall get the Scholarships for full duration of this course.
- (iv) In case the requisite number of candidates for the award of Rural Area Merit Scholarships are not forthcoming these Rural Area Scholarships may be made Open Scholarships.
- (v) One Scholarships meant for the Ph.D/M.Phil course is tenable only at the Jawahar Lal Nehru University, New Delhi and shall be Awarded by the Director of Public Instruction, Haryana on the recommendation of the Registrar of the University concerned. All other scholarships in various specified courses of study in the recognized institutions in Haryana State and at Chandigarh will be awarded by the Awarding Authority on the recommendations of Kurukshetra University/other Universities of the Haryana State and Panjab University, Chandigarh.
- (vi) The Scholarships on the result of Pre-University and T.D.C. Final examinations shall be awarded on the basis of combined merit list, to be prepared by the Awarding Authority on receipt of the recommendations of the Examining bodies concerned, from which the candidates passed their annual examination. In preparing such a combined merit list, the basic merit list will be that of Kurukshetra University and the merited candidates of the other Universities of the State as well as Panjab University, Chandigarh will be devotailed in that list.
- (vii) The merit shall be determined on the basis of the aggregate marks (including optional subject) obtained by the candidates. In order to ascertain merit in a particular subject taken in M.A./M.Sc. classes (except in the case of B.Sc. Honours Schools) the Highest marks obtained by the candidate in that subject (including the marks obtained in Honours in case of those who pass with an Honours subject) will be taken into account.

3. Coverage and Eligibility

The students who fulfill the following conditions shall be eligible for the award of these Scholarships:-

- (i) The students whose parents/guardians are the citizens of India and are domiciled in the Haryana State.
 - (ii) The students who pass the specified Public Examination from the Punjab or Kurukshetra University or any other examining body, otherwise notified by the awarding authority.
 - (iii) (a) Scholarships under the scheme for post-graduate study viz. M.A./M.Sc./M.Com./Ph.D. classes will be paid without any consideration of the income of the parents of the Candidates.
 - (iv) (1) The candidates who pass the specific public examination recognised by the awarding authority, either in private capacity or as regular students and prosecute their studies in a recognised institution in Haryana/Chandigarh U.T. are eligible to apply for this scholarship. This will also apply to bonafied residents of Haryana and their sons and daughters residing in Chandigarh.
 - (2) Haryana Government employee or their children/ward as the case may be who either pass the specified Examination from Chandigarh or join the specified course of studies at Chandigarh will also be eligible. Further the students of the B.Sc./M.Sc. and Ph.D. classes in the specified subjects of the Panjab University who either study at Chandigarh or pass their specified Examinations from Chandigarh, shall also be eligible provided their parents/guardians are practising a profession in the Haryana State.
 - (v) The candidates who secure at least a Second Division in the specified Examinations subject to the further condition that in the case of scholarship meant for M.A./M.Sc. classes the candidates securing at least 2nd Division in the specified subject also.
 - (vi) In case of rural area merit Scholarship, the students who secure at least 40% marks in the Matric/Higher Secondary (Final), Pre-University Examinations only shall be eligible to get the Scholarship.
 - (vii) Except in the case of one Scholarship meant for Ph.D./M.Phil course all other Scholarships on the results of the various Examinations shall be awarded on the basis of preceding University Examination held in the years of Award. As far as may be the Ph.D./M.Phil Scholarship will also be awarded on the result of the Annual Examination held in that year.
 - (viii) The Scholarship should be paid for the full academic year (i.e. 12 months) from the commencement of the year for period for which fees are ordinarily payable.
 - (ix) The Scholars shall not be permitted to combine any other Merit, Merit-cum-Poverty or Merit-cum-Means Scholarship or stipend from any source (including University Scholarship) with these Scholarships except one awarded on poverty basis, including poverty Scholarships awarded by the Sailors, Soldiers and Airmen's Board and Scholarships amount for the Children of Defence Forces.
 - (x) In the case of Rural Area Merit Scholarships the award shall be restricted only to those students whose parents (both father and mother) or guardian (husband and wife both) actually reside in and derive income from a profession practised by them in the specified areas or in the case of those who are not practising a profession actually reside permanently in the specified areas the candidates whose parents are in whole time Employment/Service in such areas for which the Scholarships have not been reserved shall not be eligible for the award of Rural Area Merit Scholarships.
- Note:- Such students whose parents/guardians belong to a specified area or hold land or property etc. in the specified area but due to any reason, actually reside in other area for which Scholarships have not been reserved, shall also not be eligible for the Award of Rural Area Merit Scholarship.**

4. Tenure

Academic year means a period of 12 months for which College dues are compulsory payable in the ordinary course. The scholarship shall be tenable for the full duration of the specified course or till the student remains on the roll of Instruction or till the date on which it stands cancelled, forfeited, whichever is earlier. In the courses where no fees are levied, the Scholarship shall be paid from the Ist of month of admission to the last day of month in which the annual Examination (including practical) at the end of the class takes place.

The Scholarship shall be renewed further for the full duration of the course, if a student after passing the Pre-Medical/Pre-Engineering in the first attempt joins the 3 years Degree course, or B.Sc. (Hon. School) Course. Similarly if a student, after passing T.D.C. (Part I) Examination joins B.Sc. Hons. School course, the scholarship shall be paid for the remaining term (i.e. full duration of the said course).

5. Cancellation of Scholarship

The Scholarship shall be cancelled for the following reasons:-

- (i) If the particulars furnished in the declaration or in the Application Form by the student or his parents/guardians are found to be incorrect, incomplete, evasive, ambiguous, or otherwise defective confusing and on the basis of correct particulars the students is found to be ineligible.
- (ii) If the student fails to pass his annual promotion Examination in the Ist attempt in a continuous course.
- (iii) If the student accept at any stage (with retrospective effect) such other stipend/scholarship financial assistance as cannot be combined with this scholarship. If the student becomes a member of any Political/Community Party or takes part directly or indirectly in any (a) Political Procession/Demonstration/Canvassing for votes for any candidate/Party (b) indulges in any unlawful or subversive activity against the State/Institutions (c) creates indiscipline, participates in strikes or is guilty of misconduct (d) incites other or is suspected of the activities of the kind mentioned herein.

The Scholarship once cancelled shall not be revived in respect of the same student. The awarding authority shall recover the entire amount already paid to the student wherever considered necessary. It shall also be competent to write off the entire or part of the recoverable amount if it is either not possible to recover the same without filing a Civil Suit or where it is otherwise deemed necessary.

- (iv) In case at a later stage it is found that a scholar to whom the scholarship is awarded, is ineligible for scholarship due to any reason, the scholarship awarded will be cancelled and the amount of the scholarship already paid to the scholar will be recovered through the means which are deemed by the competent authority.

6. Forfeiture of Scholarships

The scholarship shall be forfeited for the following reasons:-

- (i) If the award is not taken up by a student within three weeks.
- (ii) If the student dies.
- (iii) If the student is absent without leave for six consecutive working days.
- (iv) If the student remains on ordinary leave for more than a month at a time within the same academic year.
- (v) If the student remains on sick leave for more than 3 months at a time or within the same academic year.
- (vi) If the student shows unsatisfactory progress in studies or is negligent or is guilty of irregularity or laziness in attendance.
- (vii) If the student migrates to another Institution or course or subject without prior notice or permission of the Awarding Authority (to be sought under a Registered cover).
- (viii) If the scholar fails to join the New Institution within fourteen days of leaving the former Institution unless this period is extended by the Awarding Authority on a written request from the scholar forehead.
- (ix) If the student gives up a chosen course of study without completion.
- (x) If a student after passing Pre-Medical/Pre-Engineering, Examinations etc. follows up a course of general University Education instead of Engineering/Medical (where this scholarship is not admissible) his renewal claim should be referred to the Awarding Authority (through Head of the Institution as well as direct) within one month of the declaration of the result of the annual Examination or within one month of the commencement of the course or within a week of the joining class/course/Institution or by 30th September, whichever is later, failing which it would be forfeited.
- (xi) If the affidavit given by the parents/guardians of the scholar is found to be incorrect within the meaning of section 182-183 I.P.C.

N.B. It should be in the interest of the scholar to ensure that as soon as the result of the annual Examination is declared, the renewal application is got filled by the Head of the Institution and is dispatched (personally) by the scholar to the Administering Authority (i.e. the HEC Haryana) quoting the reference No. of the letter under which the award was initially communicated or his personal folder, if allotted, must be given.

2. The period of absence, leave etc. specified in this rule shall be reckoned from the date of admission.

Mode of Selection

All the awards shall be made strictly on merit to be determined on the basis of aggregate marks (including optional subjects) obtained by the candidates in the specified Examination held at the end of the preceding academic year only. If any Examination is conducted by more than one recognised Examining bodies, the percentage of the marks shall be worked upto three decimal places and combined merit list shall be prepared by the awarding authority. In case more than one student secure equal marks/percentage of marks to be worked upto three decimal places. The candidate junior most in age shall get the first priority.

The scholarship shall be awarded on the recommendations of the following authorities who will follow the procedure given in succeeding paragraphs and shall forward the completed documents (on the prescribed form) in respect of the eligible candidates to the awarding authority before the prescribed date, each year.

- (i) Registrar, Jawahar Lal Nehru University, New Delhi, for Ph.D course in respect of one scholarship to be awarded in this Institution.
- (ii) The Examination Body concerned (e.g. Punjab and Kurukshetra University) from where a candidate passes his/her specified examination.
- (iii) The students shall send their completed documents (application forms) duly attested to Examining Bodies under Registered cover before the date notified for this purpose who will issue Entitlement Cards to the prospective candidates simultaneously with the announcement of the results and this can be done by sending the requisite No. of cards to the Heads of the Institutions from where the candidates appeared in the Examination on the residential addresses of the Scholars as may be deemed expedient and better. These cards may be sent to the 75% candidates of the total No. of Open Merit Scholarships/Rural Areas Scholarships fixed under the Scheme. Similar cards may be issued to another 40% candidates in order of merit but with a heading bearing "Candidates to be kept on the Waiting List" on receipt of the application forms, a Merit List setting forth full particulars of the candidates shall be drawn up and supplied to the Awarding Authority i.e. HEC, Haryana, by the Examining Body concerned.

N.B. In case Examining Bodies concerned do not receive the documents etc. they will after 15 days of the close of admission in the Institution in the State verify the position from the candidates sending him/her a Registered reminder at his residential address asking him to state within 20 days of the issue of letter, the Institution and the course joined and requisiting him to submit his/her application/documents to the university by him. If no reply is received from the candidates within the stipulated period, his case will be closed and reported to the Authority for non-award.

8. Stoppage of Payment

In the event of the occurrence of any of the contingencies enumerated in the Scheme or otherwise communicated, the Head of the Institution concerned shall stop the payment to the Scholar concerned and report the fact to the Awarding Authority on the prescribed application form.

9. Transfer/Renewal of Scholarships

In a Scholar migrates to another College where it is tenable and prosecutes his studies in the course for which it was granted/is available, this fact must be brought to the notice of the Awarding Authority, immediately on leaving the former Institution. The scholar shall inform his new Head of the Institution about the fact of being awarded, who will in consultation with the former Institution immediately take up Transfer/Renewal case with the Awarding Authority quoting the number and date of the previous sanction order etc.

N.B. It will be in the interest of the Scholarships Holders to be vigilant and get the Transfer/Renewal applications expedited through the Head of the institution, in the event of migration.

10. Other Implied Conditions of Award

- (i) The students shall devote themselves whole heartedly to their studies to the entire satisfaction of the Head of the Institution concerned.
- (ii) No Head of Institution shall receive in any form, from the scholars or their Parents/guardians any contribution, donation or subscription to a fund which a Scholarship Holder is not required to pay under the rules. No pressure directly or indirectly will be brought to bear or the Scholar harassed or compelled to discontinue his studies, attendance etc.
- (iii) As soon as the award i.e. announced it will be the duty cast upon the Head of the Institution to bring the contents of the sanction order/Scheme to the knowledge of the candidates concerned.
- (iv) The Head of the Institution may grant liberal fee concessions to the needy poor and brilliant students enjoying scholarships under this Scheme over and above the normal quota of full and half fee concessions allotted to them.
- (v) Any privately managed Institutions violating the conditions prescribed by the Awarding Authority in respect of these Govt. Scholarships shall be liable to forfeit, Govt. grants in the duration of the HEC, Haryana. In all matters concerning these awards (including power to interpret the provisions of the Scheme) the decision of HEC, Haryana, shall be final and binding.

11. Submission of Returns

The Heads of the Institutions shall send the following returns to the Awarding Authority.

- (i) A check-statement regarding the cancellation/forfeiture of Scholarships must be sent to the HEC, Haryana in the first week of August.
- (ii) Any other return/information which may be called for by the Awarding Authority.
- (iii) Disbursement Certificates S.T.R. and payee's receipts must be sent against the Bankdraft/R.T.R. after each disbursement.
- (iv) Refundable amount under this Scheme may be deposited in to Haryana Treasury under the Head "0202-Education, Sports Arts Culture-203-University & Higher Education other items"

On the basis of Matric Exam the Scholarships is being awarded by Director Secondary Education, Haryana.

Note: **Mode of Payment**

Payment will be made through DBT from 2021-22 after approval from Higher Authority.