



GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU
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**MERIT-CUM-MEANS SCHOLARSHIP TO MINORITY COMMUNITIES STUDENTS
FOR THE YEAR 2019-20**

Applications are invited from the students belonging to Minorities viz, Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists, Zoroastrians (Parsis) & Jains for Fresh and Renewal Merit-cum-Means Scholarship Scheme for studying Degree or Postgraduate level Professional / Technical Courses in the Government, Government Aided, State and Central Government recognized Private Institution and Listed institutions notified by the Ministry of Minority Affairs, through the common **National Scholarship Portal (NSP)** of the Government of India, under URL www.scholarships.gov.in. The Scholarship will be awarded directly to the students' Bank Account under Direct Benefit Transfer.

Community wise tentative allotment for number of Fresh scholarship to Tamil Nadu for the year 2019-20 are given below:-

Muslims	Christians	Sikhs	Buddhists	Jains	Total
1085	1134	4	3	23	2249

**There is no target for renewal scholarships. 30% of scholarship will be earmarked for girl students.*
Eligibility:

Fresh

- Students who get admission to a college to pursue technical/professional courses, on the basis of a competitive examination / without taking any competitive examination will be eligible for the scholarship.
- However, such students should have not less than 50% marks at higher secondary / graduation level/Polytechnic for lateral entry.
- **Selection will be done strictly on merit basis.**
- Annual income of whose parents/guardian from all sources does not exceed Rs.2.50 lakh.

Renewal

- Students who have been awarded Fresh Scholarship in the previous year can apply for Renewal Scholarship provided if he/she scored not less than 50% of marks in the previous year examination without any arrears.
- Annual income of whose parents/guardian from all sources does not exceed Rs.2.50 lakhs.

Other important Conditions:

- Scholarship will be awarded only for two children in a family.
- Those who are availed concession like **Tuition fee for First Generation Graduates** should not apply for this scholarship.
- The students should be regular in attendance for which the yardstick will be decided by the competent authority of the College/University.
- A student shall be eligible for only one scholarship out of all the available Scholarships of Central Government meant for SC/ST/OBC/minority in NSP.
- The student obtaining benefits under this scholarship scheme shall not be allowed to avail of benefits under any other scholarship scheme such as scholarship from BC/MBC/Adi-Dravidar Welfare, Education Departments, any other Boards, etc. for the same purpose.
- Online applications under the Scheme will alone be accepted and no request for Offline applications will be entertained.
- Continuation of the scholarship in subsequent years will depend on successful completion of the course during the preceding year.
- The list of eligible courses under Merit-cum-Means based Scholarship scheme is notified by the Ministry of Minority Affairs, Govt. of India on www.minorityaffairs.gov.in.
- The scholarship is dependent on the satisfactory progress and conduct of the scholar. If it is reported by the Head of the Institution at any time that a scholar has by reasons of

his/her own act of default failed to make satisfactory progress or has been guilty of misconduct such as resorting to or participating in strikes, irregularity in attendance without the permission of the authorities concerned etc., the authority sanctioning the scholarship may either cancel the scholarship or stop or withhold further payment for such period as it may think fit.

- A scholar is liable to refund the scholarship amount, if during the course of the year, the studies for which the scholarship has been awarded, is discontinued or change in the subject of study.
- If a student violates any other term and condition of the scholarship, the scholarship may be suspended or cancelled.
- If a student is found to have obtained a scholarship by false statement/certificates, his/her scholarship will be cancelled forthwith and the amount of the scholarship paid shall be recovered fully in one lump-sum.
- The regulations under the scheme can be changed at anytime at the discretion of the Government of India.
- **Uploading all required supported documents is mandatory if the scholarship amount is more than Rs.50000/-.** However, students will have to submit the hard copies of the supported documents to the institution along with the printed copy of the online application within the time limit prescribed by the Ministry of Minority Affairs.

Before applying for Scholarship scheme through online on NSP, students should keep the following documents/information ready:-

i. Student's Photo ii. A valid unique mobile number iii. An unique Email-id iv. Institution Verification Form prescribed @ Scholarship>Merit-cum-means-scholarship-scheme">http://www.minorityaffairs.gov.in/SCHEMES>Scholarship>Merit-cum-means-scholarship-scheme v. Mark sheet. (a) Fresh: Previous Qualifying Exam /Board consolidation Mark-sheet. i.e. HSC Marks Total mark obtained alone should be considered. For Diploma coursers, marks for lateral entry, consolidated mark sheets the total of 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th semester marks which are included for computation of aggregate total and award of grade alone should be taken. (b) Renewal: Previous year Mark Sheet / Consolidated Mark sheet (without any arrears) should be enclosed. If Mark sheet is not received within due date, then online printout of Mark sheet with due attestation from HOD will be accepted.	vi. Functional Bank Account in Student's name. vii. Hostel fee receipt or declaration of the institution that the student is a hosteller, viii. Aadhaar Number (optional) a. If enrolled , Aadhaar Enrolment Id slip: b. Not enrolled, Copy of First page of Bank Passbook with Photograph (Mandatory) ix. Latest Parents / Guardian's Income Certificate issued by competent authority from Revenue Dept. x. Religion / Community Certificate obtained from the Revenue Authority of the State or Self Declaration in Rs. 10/- Non-Judicial Stamp Paper in the format prescribed @ Scholarship>Merit-cum-means-scholarship-scheme">http://www.minorityaffairs.gov.in/SCHEMES>Scholarship>Merit-cum-means-scholarship-scheme xi. Receipt of the Course Fee for the academic xii. Resident / Domicile Certificate.
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RATE OF SCHOLARSHIP:

- Full course fee (except refundable deposits) will be reimbursed to those who are studying in Listed Institutions as notified by the Ministry of Minority Affairs.
- For other institutions, course fee of Rs.20000/- or Actual whichever is less and Maintenance Allowances* @ Rs. 1000/- per month for Hosteller and Rs. 500/- per month for Day Scholars. (* For 10 months in an academic year)

INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLYING ONLINE APPLICATION

- i. The students must go through the scheme guidelines and Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) available on the home page of <http://scholarships.gov.in> portal before filling of online application.
- ii. The student can log on to National Scholarship Portal (NSP) under the url www.scholarships.gov.in. Fresh applicants should select the option "New Registration".

On successful verification, the students will be allowed to fill up their details essential for establishing their eligibility for scholarships. The Students will be allowed to apply for one scheme only from displayed list of eligible schemes.			
iii.	Only registered and verified students will be allowed to apply for scholarship.		
iv.	A student will be considered eligible under Renewal category if he/she is an existing scholarship recipient and continues in 2018-19 in the same scheme and in the same institution only.		
v.	Renewal Students have to apply with their existing Application id provided that they got scholarship sanctioned for previous year.		
vi.	Renewal students have to login to portal using his/her login credentials created in previous academic session while applying for Scholarship through the option "Login>Renewal" on the home page of NSP.		
vii.	Renewal students will not be able to make changes in the Scheme and Institute.		
viii.	Non submission of hard copy of the filled-in online application along with requisite enclosures will be summarily rejected.		
ix.	While entering basic parameters such as religion, name of the institution, percentage of marks, parental annual income and functional bank account no, IFSC Code, Aadhaar number, etc., students are requested to take utmost care before making final submission. Students will not be allowed to make any change(s) in application including change in opted scholarship scheme after submission. The portal incorporates a provision to save the application before making final submission and also allowed to make multiple changes in the saved details before final submission.		
x.	Aadhaar details of the applications will not be shared with the Verifying Authorities to prevent accidental misuse.		
xi.	Students are instructed to contact the concerned District Backward Classes and Minorities Officers in the event of additional information, if any required.		
xii.	The list of notified courses by the Ministry of Minority Affairs, Govt. of India is available in www.minorityaffairs.gov.in		
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Instruction for Institution:

1. New institutions are required to have valid AISHE code for enrollment under National Scholarship Portal. The Head of institution shall contact the concern District Backward Classes and Minorities Welfare Officer along with the documents viz. (1) Written request of the Institution (2) AISHE Code / (3) Name and Mobile number of Head of Institution (4) Official E-mail of the Institution (5) Copy of the Recognition of the Govt.
2. The Institution should ensure that a Nodal officer has been appointed for processing of Minority Scholarship schemes in National Scholarship Portal.
3. The Institution is instructed to login into NSP with existing Login credentials and fill up the Verification Form of Institution's Nodal Officer on Portal and get the printout authenticated in Duplicate with his/her Head of Institution and submit it to the District Backward Classes and Minorities Welfare Officer concerned.
4. On Verification, the District Backward Classes and Minorities Welfare Officer will activate the account of the Institution in the Portal by using their login credentials.
5. The District Backward Classes and Minorities Welfare Officer will retain a copy of the duly authenticated Verification Form for Institute' Nodal Officer, received from the Institution and return the second copy to the Institutions which is subject to audit/verification of State/Central Government officials on demand.
6. It will be responsibility of the Institution to update the mandatory details such as AISHE Code, course details, recognition, annual course fee, etc. in the NSP immediately so that the student can apply Scholarship through Online.
7. Institutions must communicate their AISHE code to the students who are applying fresh scholarships so as to complete the application process promptly.

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