

**GOVERNMENT OF ORISSA
MINORITIES AND BACKWARD CLASSES WELFARE DEPARTMENT**

**SCHEME OF PRE-MATRIC SCHOLARSHIP FOR STUDENTS BELONGING TO THE
MINORITY COMMUNITIES.**

Good news for minority students pursuing education, from Class I up to Class X.

Applications are invited from the students belonging to the minority communities notified by the Central Government, pursuing education, from Class I up to Class X, in Government school/institute or private school /institute recognized by appropriate authority for Pre-matric scholarship to be awarded by the Ministry of Minority Affairs, Government of India. Application in the prescribed format along with requisite documents should be submitted to the **Commissioner-cum-Secretary, ST & SC Development Department & Minorities and Backward Classes Welfare Department, Orissa Secretariat, Bhubaneswar-751001** latest by 31.7.2008 through the Head of the school/college/institute being attended or last attended by the student. The last date for receipt of application is **31.7.2008**.

Object

The objective of the scheme is to award scholarship to the meritorious students belonging to economically weaker sections of minority communities to enable them to pursue education from Class I to Class X.

Scope

The scholarship is to be awarded for studies in India only.

Conditions for scholarship

- (a) Scholarship will be given to the students, pursuing studies from Class I to Class X, from Government/recognized private school/institute.
- (b) Maintenance allowance will be credited to the students' bank account.
- (c) To be eligible, students should have not less than 50% marks in the previous final examination. In the case of students of Class I, the income criteria only would be applicable.
- (d) A scholarship holder under this scheme will not avail of any other scholarship/stipend for pursuing the same course.
- (e) The annual income, from all sources, of the students parents or guardian should not exceed Rs.1 lakh. **Inter-se selection weightage is to be given to poverty rather than marks.**
- (f) **30% of scholarships will be earmarked for girl students.** In case girl students are not available then the scholarships earmarked for them will be awarded to eligible boy students.
- (g) Scholarships will not be given to more than two students in a family.

RATE OF SCHOLARSHIP

Actual financial assistance will be provided for admission/tuition fee and maintenance allowance as given below subject to a maximum ceiling indicated against item concerned:

S.No.	Item	Hostellers *	Day Scholars
1	Admission fee from Class VI to X	Rs.500/-p.a. subject to actuals.	Rs.500/- p.a. subject to actuals.
2	Tuition fee from class VI to X	Rs.350/- p.m. subject to actuals.	Rs.350/- p.m. subject to actuals.
3	Maintenance allowance will be payable for a period not exceeding 10 months in an academic year.		
	(i) Class I to V	Nil	Rs. 100/- p.m
	(ii) Class VI to X	Rs. 600/-p.m. subject to actuals.	Rs. 100/-p.m

* Hostellers include students who are staying in hostel of the school/institute concerned or those provided by the State Government/Union Territory Administration concerned.