

Government of India  
Ministry of Human Resource Development  
Department of Higher Education  
(Scholarship Division)

**GUIDELINES FOR THE 'SPECIAL SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME FOR JAMMU & KASHMIR**

**1. OBJECTIVE**

The Special Scholarship Scheme for Jammu & Kashmir aims at encouraging the youth from Jammu & Kashmir to take advantage of the educational institutions outside the state, which would provide them an opportunity, to interact with their counterparts from the rest of the country, thereby helping them become a part of the mainstream.

**2. SCOPE**

It is envisaged to provide 5000 fresh scholarships per annum. Out of these, 2070 scholarships are for General Degree Courses, 2830 for Professional/Technical courses and 100 for Medical Courses. There is a provision of inter-changeability of slots among General, Medical and Professional/Technical streams, subject to the savings accruing from any shortfall in the number of students opting for General Degree Courses.

**3. RATE OF SCHOLARSHIP**

The components of scholarship under this scheme are as under:

Academic Fees:

Up to Rs. 30000 per annum for General Degree courses.

OR

Up to Rs. 1.25 Lakhs per annum for Professional/Technical courses.

OR

Up to Rs. 3.00 Lakhs per annum for Medical courses, including Bachelor of Dental Surgery (B.D.S).

Scholarship towards Academic Fees is disbursed as per actuals or as per the fee fixed by the State Fee Regulatory Authority, whichever is lesser and within the overall ceiling.

In addition to this, fixed Maintenance Allowance of Rs. 1.0 Lakh is provided to all the selected students irrespective of the course. The Maintenance Allowance is disbursed in two installments. Release of second instalment is subject to his/her submission of continuation certificate, duly certified by the Institution.

#### 4. ELIGIBILITY

The students of Jammu & Kashmir having family income of less than Rs.8.0 lakh per annum [issued by DoPT O.M. No. 36033/1/2013-Estt. (Res.), dated 13.09.2017] and have passed class XII from the State are eligible to apply under the scheme. Polytechnic Diploma holders from the recognized Polytechnic Institutes of the State are also eligible to apply under the scheme. The students are compulsorily required to apply online on the AICTE web portal <http://www.aicte-jk-scholarship-gov.in/> and attend the Centralized Counseling.

#### 5. EXCLUSIONS

Categories of students **NOT** eligible under the scheme are:

- Students pursuing courses through Open Universities.
- Students availing benefit of any other scholarship scheme.
- Students gaining admission through 'management quota'.
- Students pursuing Post Graduate level studies, in any discipline.

#### 6. RESERVATION

The reservation norms as prescribed for the State of Jammu & Kashmir in respect of Scheduled Castes (SC), Scheduled Tribes (ST) and Socially and Economically Backward Classes (SEBC) are followed for providing scholarships under the Scheme. The break-up is given below:-

- a. **SC – 8%**
- b. **ST – 11%**
  - (i) Gujjar & Backward – 6%
  - (ii) Leh District – 2%
  - (iii) Kargil District – 2%
  - (iv) Other STs – 1%
- c. **Socially and Economically Backward Classes (SEBC) -25%**
  - (i) Weak & under privileged classes (Social Caste) (OCS)-2%
  - (ii) Resident of Backward Area (RBA)-20%
  - (iii) Resident of adjoining Actual Line of Control (ALC) -3%

Horizontally, a reservation of 3% is provided for Persons with Disabilities (PwD) as per Central Government norms.

#### 7. ADMISSION PROCEDURE

Students must compulsorily apply online on AICTE's web portal- (<http://www.aicte-jk-scholarship-gov.in/>). The State Government of Jammu & Kashmir through various

facilitation centers, assist the students in submission of online application and verification of the following original documents to ascertain their eligibility under the scheme.

- (i) Certificate of domicile of the State of Jammu & Kashmir
- (ii) Certificate of Class 12<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Examination (for candidates who have passed class 12<sup>th</sup> examination)
- (iii) Polytechnic Diploma Certificate (for Diploma candidates)
- (iv) Income Certificate
- (v) Students applying under reserved quota must produce Caste Certificate (SC/ST/SEBC) issued by State Government authority.
- (vi) Persons with Disabilities (PwD) must submit Disability Certificate

Merit list is generated based on Class XII results. The students, whose name appear in the merit list are compulsorily required to attend the counseling. Counseling is done for allotment for supernumerary seats created in institutions which are either approved by AICTE or Council of Architecture or Pharmacy Council of India or Indian Nursing Council or under Section 12B of UGC Act.

The details of supernumerary seats created are as follows:

- 10 (Ten) seats in Engineering stream (two seats per course subject to maximum of 10 seats per Institution)
- 2 (Two) seats per Institute in General streams (B.A/B.Com/B.Sc. etc). Limited to only those Institutes which are approved under section 12B of the UGC Act.
- Two/three seats in B.Sc. Nursing course in any Institute recognized by the Indian Nursing Council (INC).
- 2 (Two) seats in B. Architecture course in any Institute recognized by the Council of Architecture (CoA) subject to clearing the National Aptitude Test in Architecture (NATA).
- 2 (Two) seats in B. Pharmacy course in any Institute recognized by the Pharmacy Council of India.

Scholarship is approved under the scheme only to those students whose name appear in the merit list, have attended counseling and taken admission to either allotted institution or taken admission on their own in Central Universities or Medical/Engineering Colleges based on Government conducted National/State level examination.

## **8. DURATION OF SCHOLARSHIPS**

The scholarships granted under the scheme are renewed in subsequent classes subject to good conduct and maintenance of attendance as prescribed by the respective institution. Students who fail to get promoted to the next class/level for any reason, including illness, get the scholarship amount of that academic year in the following academic year, subject to the condition that he/she will get the scholarship for only the regular duration of the course (i.e. three years for General Degree Courses, four years for Professional/Technical Courses and five years for Medical Courses). Scholarship will not be paid twice for the same year of study.

## **9. SCHOLARSHIP DISBURSAL PROCEDURE:**

The maintenance allowance component of scholarship is disbursed directly into the student's bank account through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) whereas the academic fee component is disbursed to the institute's bank account. From the academic session 2017-18, scholarship is being disbursed through Public Financial Management System (PFMS).

### **FRESH SCHOLARSHIP DISBURSAL PROCEDURE:**

#### **(i) Steps to be followed by students:**

Students who are finally selected for award of scholarship must login on AICTE's Web Portal and proceed as follows:-

1. Click on '**Proceed for DBT**' tab. Go through the instructions and then click on '**Proceed Further**' tab to access DBT application.
2. Click on the '**Basic Details**', '**Institute Details**' and '**Bank Details**' tabs and fill in all the necessary information.
3. Click on '**Attachments**' tab and upload a scanned copy of the following documents:
  - Joining Report
  - First page of Bank Pass book showing clearly the following details:
    - Account Holder's name
    - Account Number
    - IFSC Code
    - MICR Code
    - Bank Address
4. Click on '**Submit**' tab after verifying all details and logout from the portal.
5. Student must then contact his/her college authorities for verification of DBT application.

#### **(ii) Steps to be followed by Institutions:**

Institutes admitting students under the Special Scholarship Scheme for Jammu and Kashmir should proceed as follows:

##### **(a) For Institutions admitting students under the Special Scholarship Scheme for the first time in academic year 2018-19:**

1. Login to the J&K admission portal and fill in all necessary information under '**Institute Details**', '**Bank Details**' and '**Fee Details**'. Institutions should apply for a user ID and password for the J&K admission portal at [http://www.aicte-india.org/jnkadmissions\\_2017-18.php](http://www.aicte-india.org/jnkadmissions_2017-18.php) if they do not already have one.
2. Upload a scanned copy of the following documents:

- Mandate form in prescribed format (available at <https://www.aicte-india.org/bureaus/jk/2017-2018>)
- Academic Fee details in prescribed format (available at <https://www.aicte-india.org/bureaus/jk/2017-2018>)
- State Fee Regulatory Committee (SFRC) document.
- First page of Bank Pass book showing clearly the following details:
  - Account Holder's name
  - Account Number
  - IFSC Code
  - MICR Code
  - Bank Address

3. Proceed to '**Candidate Verification**'. Verify the details of students one by one.

**(b) For Institutions who have previously' admitted students under the Special Scholarship Scheme for Jammu and Kashmir:**

1. Login to J&K admission portal and upload scanned copy of SFRC document for academic year 2018-19.
2. Proceed to '**Candidate Verification**'. Verify the details of students one by one.

**RENEWAL SCHOLARSHIP DISBURSAL PROCEDURE:**

Students are required to upload the following documents after getting it verified from their institute.

1. Continuation Certificate signed by the head of institution.
2. Copy of Mark Sheet for the academic year towards which the scholarship is being claimed/previous semester result showing promotion to next academic year.

**10. IMPLEMENTATION AND MONITORING**

For better and effective implementation and monitoring of this Scheme, constitution of a Committee was recommended in CCEA note. Accordingly, a Committee – Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC) – on Special Scholarship Scheme for Jammu & Kashmir was constituted. Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC) is constituted to oversee the implementation of the Scheme and is Chaired by Secretary, Department of Higher Education. Adviser Project Appraisal and Management Division (PAMD) and Adviser Education, Planning Commission (NITI Aayog), representatives of Department of Expenditure are members and representatives of the Ministries of Social Justice & Empowerment, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Ministry of Home Affairs, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare and Deptt. of Science & Technology are invitees. Secretary (Higher Education) and Secretary (School Education), Govt. of Jammu & Kashmir are special invitees.

## 11. ASSOCIATION OF GOVT. OF J&K

For better coordination with the State Government, Secretary (Higher Education) and Secretary (School Education), Govt. of Jammu & Kashmir are co-opted as special invitees for the Inter-Ministerial Committee Meetings (IMC).

Facilitation Centre to facilitate the students with online applications & documents verification are set up by the State Govt. Further, the scheme is disseminated amongst the target group with the support of State Govt.

**Details of the scheme can be seen at** – [http://www.aicte-india.org/jnk\\_new.php](http://www.aicte-india.org/jnk_new.php)

**NOTE:** The Scholarship guidelines should be read in context to the recommendations by the Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC) from time to time.

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