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No. DTW/6/Central Pre Matric/6/Circular/2023-24/3o/6 Date: 20/10/2023

**CIRCULAR**

**Sub: Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Pre-Matric Scholarship for ST Students  
in class IX<sup>th</sup> & X<sup>th</sup> for the Academic year 2023-24.**

The Directorate of Tribal Welfare is implementing the Scheme namely:

Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Pre Matric Scholarship for Needy Scheduled Tribe students in class IX<sup>th</sup> & X<sup>th</sup>

The scheme aim to support ST children studying in classes IX<sup>th</sup> and X<sup>th</sup> so that the incidence of dropout, especially in transition from elementary to secondary stage is minimized, and ST students can have a better chance of progressing to the post matric stage of education.

**Eligibility of the Scheme are as under:**

1. Student should belong to Scheduled Tribe Community.
2. Her/ His Parents/ Guardians income should not exceed Rs. 2.50 lakh per annum.
3. She/ He should not be availing any other Centrally – funded Pre Matric Scholarship.
4. She/ he should be a regular, full time student studying in a Government School or in a school recognized by Govt. or a Central /State Board of secondary Education.
5. Scholarship for studying in any class will be available for only one year. If a student has to repeat a class, she/he is not eligible to get scholarship for that class for a second (or subsequent) year.

**Required documents are as under:For Fresh Students.**

1. Income Certificate for the year 2022-23
2. Caste Certificate issued by competent authority.
3. Bank Pass Book.
4. Marksheet (Previous Year)
5. Bonafide Certificate.

**For Renewal Students.**

1. Marksheet (Previous Year)
2. Income Certificate for the year 2022-23
3. Bonafide Certificate.

**All above documents shall be scanned & uploaded on the National Scholarship Portal. (Size of document less than 200KB in PDF/JPEG format)**

Applications under Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Pre Matric Scholarship for students belonging to Scheduled Tribe community studying in class IXth & Xth for the academic year 2023-24 are invited online on National Scholarship Portal <https://scholarships.gov.in> National Scholarship Portal will be open for students to apply till 31/12/2023.

**Submission of Applications-** Fresh Students shall first register themselves on the NSP and submit their application on NSP. Renewal students are not required to register again on NSP. ( Renewal students are the students who have been granted scholarship at NSP, in the immediately preceding academic year). Nodal Officers for this Scheme from concerned school shall guide the students accordingly.

**Instruction for students:-**

1. Candidates are advised to fill all the requisite details carefully and check properly before submission. As no correction/ editing is allowed after submission.
2. Candidates are advised to fill their correct and active mobile number and e-mail address in the online application. All Correspondence/ communication will be made through mobile/ e-mail only.
3. Aadhaar will be mandatory for registration on NSP.
  - **Major applicants** - If Aadhaar is not assigned, candidate will be required to enroll for Aadhaar and register using Aadhaar Enrolment Identification (EID).
  - **Minor applicants** - If Aadhaar is assigned, candidate is advised to enroll using Aadhaar. Where Aadhaar/EID of the minor applicant is not assigned Aadhaar of parent/legal guardian will be mandatorily required.
4. Aadhaar based eKYC will be performed to verify credentials of candidates.
5. All scholarship payments will be made using Aadhaar Payment Bridge (APB) only.
6. Candidates are requested to ensure that demographic details in Aadhaar shall be same as in school/ institute records. If any difference found, same should be corrected in Aadhaar.

7. Candidates are advised to ensure that his/her mobile number is linked to Aadhaar for receiving OTP from UIDAI. To check the mobile linking status please visit <https://myaadhaar.uidai.gov.in/verify-email-mobile>.
8. Candidates are advised to ensure that bank account is seeded with Aadhaar. To check the seeding status kindly visit <https://resident.uidai.gov.in/bank-mapper>.
9. The applicant shall ensure that the Bank Account details (A/C Number, IFSC Code) given in application are correct and the account is kept active. The account should be held in the name of the student and linked and Seeded with Aadhaar number to ensure timely DBT payment.
10. The student must ensure that quality of documents uploaded is adequate so that they are clear and readable.
11. The mobile number provided in the application should be correct, active and should belong to the applicant or the parent. The student should continue the same mobile number linked with the Aadhaar seeded bank account for entire period of the scholarship. In case of any change, the student needs to get the changed number incorporated in the records.
12. The student/applicant should take timely action(s) on the SMS received from NSP /Directorate of Tribal Welfare.
13. The applicant should follow up with Institutes for application verification before the deadlines.
14. The applicant should check the status of his/her Application and rectify the error(s) and comply with the remarks made in the application in case the application is marked as defective by Institute/District level on NSP.

**Instruction for Institutions / Schools :-**

1. The Education Institutions shall verify the applications immediately after the receipt of the same in the institution login.
2. The Education Institutions shall not wait for the last date for the verification of applications.
3. **Institute KYC submission and verification**- Those institutions who are yet to register on the Portal shall contact this Directorate for assistance.
4. **Institute Nodal Officer (INO)** shall verify applications promptly as per the guidelines of the scheme and submit the same to District Nodal Officer for verification. Institute Nodal Officer shall inform the concerned student if application is defective for compliance/ shortfall of document.

It may be noted that all the applications(Fresh/Renewal) under Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Pre Matric Scholarship for students belonging to Scheduled

Tribe community studying in class IXth & Xth shall be received online on or before **31/12/2023 on National Scholarship Portal.**


**Further, All the Head of Institute/School are requested to submit the additional details in given annexure "A" on or before 31/12/2023 by mail ([dir-tw.goa@nic.in](mailto:dir-tw.goa@nic.in)) and hard copy to this Directorate.**

The institute may bring the content of this circular to the **notice of the student** to avail the benefit of scheme. The institute shall convey the date of opening & closing of the Portal to the students so that the students can apply before the last date.

This Circular is issued with the approval of the Government vide U. No. 2226/F dated 13/06/2023 and is available on the Notice Board as well on website: [www.tribalwelfare.goa.gov.in](http://www.tribalwelfare.goa.gov.in) of this office.

Note:- Circular regarding State Pre-Metric Scholarship for std V to X will be issued shortly.



  
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Encl: 1. Annexure I and II  
2. Guideline of "Pre-Matric Scholarship" are enclosed in Soft Copy.

To,

The Headmaster/ Headmistress of the concerned School

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Copy to:

- 1) The OSD to Hon'ble Chief Minister/Hon'ble Minister for Tribal Welfare, Secretariat, Porvorim Goa.
- 2) PA to Secretary (Tribal Welfare), Secretariat, Porvorim-Goa.....  
(For information)
- 3) PA to Secretary Education, Porvorim-Goa.....  
(For information)
- 4) The Chairperson, The Goa Commission for SC/ST, Panaji- Goa.....  
(For information)
- 5) The Director, Directorate of Education, Porvorim – Bardez –Goa.-To bring the content of the Circular to the notice of Schools/Institutions under your control.
- 6) The Chairperson, The Goa State Schedule Tribes Finance Corporation Ltd. .  
(For information)
- 7) The Dy, Director, O/o Dy. Director of Tribal Welfare (South) Margao.
- 8) Office copy.
- 9) Guard file.