



MINORITIES & BACKWARD CLASSES WELFARE DEPARTMENT

ONLINE APPLICATION FOR PRE-MATRIC, POST-MATRIC & MERIT-CUM-MEANS SCHOLARSHIP FOR STUDENTS BELONGING TO MINORITY COMMUNITIES FOR THE YEAR 2017-18

No.I-VV:- Minorities & Backward Classes Welfare Department, Govt. of Odisha invites **Online applications** for award of **Pre-Matric, Post-Matric & Merit-cum-Means Scholarship** for the year 2017-18 to meritorious students of Odisha belonging to the notified Minority Communities (i.e. Muslim, Christian, Buddhist, Sikh, Zoroastrian (Parsi) and Jain) studying in a Government or private Universities/Institutes/Colleges/Schools inside Odisha and other States within India from Class I to Ph.D Courses. During this year, the online implementation of the scholarship Schemes will be done through the **National Scholarship Portal (NSP)** of the Govt. of India under URL www.scholarships.gov.in.

Eligibility:

1. Students must be permanent resident of Odisha.
2. Income ceiling of parents shall not exceed Rs. 1.00 lakh for Pre-Matric, Rs.2.00 lakh for post-Matric and Rs. 2.50 lakh for Merit-cum-Means Scholarships per annum.
3. Minimum eligibility mark is 50%, secured in the last final examination of the Board/University.
4. 30% scholarship is earmarked for girl students.

Time Line (Fresh & Renewal Scholarship):

➤ For Pre-matric Scholarship

Sl. No.	Activities	Date
1	Submission of online applications for fresh Scholarship by students	1 ST JUNE to 31 ST August, 2017
2	Submission of online applications for Renewal Scholarship by students	1 ST JUNE to 31 ST July, 2017

➤ For Post-Matric Scholarship

Sl. No.	Activities	Date
1	Submission of online applications for fresh Scholarship by students	1 ST JUNE to 31 ST August, 2017
2	Submission of online applications for Renewal Scholarship by students	1 ST JUNE to 31 ST July, 2017

➤ For Merit-cum-Means Scholarship

Sl. No.	Activities	Date
1	Submission of online applications for fresh Scholarship by students	1 ST JUNE to 31 ST August, 2017
2	Submission of online applications for Renewal Scholarship by students	1 ST JUNE to 31 ST July, 2017

Eligible students are advised to fill up their application online by accessing www.scholarships.gov.in and obtain a print out of the duly filled in application form after submitting it online and send the same along with all supporting documents to concerned Institutes where studying. Only Online Applications under the scheme will be accepted and no request for accepting Offline applications will be entertained.

- The students who have availed **Pre-Matric, Post-Matric & Merit-cum-Means scholarship** for the year 2016-17 and not changed their course shall apply for **RENEWAL** scholarship. Other applicants to apply for **FRESH** scholarship.
- In case of any problem faced by the students at the time of filling up of the application through online, they may refer to FAQs (Frequently Asked Questions) available on the NSP home page of the website or take the help of Helpline No 0674-2391780 // 7894521877 or e-mail on dirobc@gmail.com.
- Applicants are advised to be very careful to mention the accurate Bank Account related Information in the specified Box of the online application. In case of any wrong entry or mismatch of the S B A/c No., this Deptt. will not be held responsible for mis-credit/Non-credit or diversion of the scholarship.
- It will be necessary for the eligible applicants to provide Aadhaar Number while applying for the scholarship and in case, an individual does not possess Aadhaar, can provide the details alternative Identification documents i.e. Bank Pass Book with Photograph, Ration Card, PAN Card, Passport or ID Card of the institute & Driving Licenses etc.