

**SCHEME OF  
“BEGUM HAZRAT MAHAL NATIONAL  
SCHOLARSHIP”  
FOR MERITORIOUS GIRL STUDENTS  
BELONGING TO THE MINORITY COMMUNITIES**

**1. BACKGROUND**

The Scheme of “Begum Hazrat Mahal National Scholarship” for Meritorious Girl Students belonging to the Minority Communities was earlier known as “Maulana Azad National Scholarship for Meritorious Girls belonging Minorities” and the same was launched by the then Prime Minister of India (late) Atal Bihari Vajpayee at National Conference of Educational & Economic Development of Minorities held on 03.05.2003 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi.

**2. OBJECTIVE**

To recognize, promote and assist girl students belonging to National Minorities who cannot continue their education due to lack of financial support.

**3. SCOPE**

Scholarship will be admissible for expenditure on payment of School/College fee, purchase of syllabus books, purchase of stationery/equipments required for the course and payment of Boarding/Lodging charges.

#### **4. ANNOUNCEMENT OF SCHEME**

The scheme will be announced by the Maulana Azad Education Foundation (MAEF) well in time on its website i.e. [www.maef.nic.in](http://www.maef.nic.in) as well as through advertisements in the leading language newspapers and local dailies and by using other suitable publicity media.

#### **5. AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount of scholarship will be provided Rs.5000/each for Class IX & X and Rs.6000/-each for Class XI & XII.

#### **6. PROCEDURE FOR APPLYING:**

The scheme is implemented through Scholarship Portal of Maulana Azad Education Foundation (MAEF). It is mandatory for all students to apply online on the Portal i.e. [www.maef.nic.in](http://www.maef.nic.in), before filling up online application. Applicant are advised to download School Verification form and upload scanned copy of the same, dully verified by the Head of the Institution alongwith other documents as required in the Scheme guidelines.

#### **7. DISTRIBUTION**

Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists, Jains and Parsis have been notified as minority communities under Section 2 (c) of the National Commission for Minorities Act, 1992. The distribution of scholarship among the States/Union Territories will be made on the basis of population of the above notified minorities in the States/ Union Territories of Census 2011.

## **8. SELECTION PROCEDURE**

The selection of eligible students is based on the %age of marks obtained by the candidates in qualifying exam and parent's/ guardian's annual income. Merit lists are prepared for selection of students based on the marks obtained in qualifying exam. State-wise-community-wise quota is fixed on the basis of minority population of the state in accordance to 2011 Census.

## **9. EARMARKING FOR BALANCE QUOTA**

Out of total scholarships each State/UTs will be allocated a fixed number of scholarships quota on the basis of the population of the minorities' in the concentrated area, for which population figures as per 2011 census may be relied upon. In case sufficient number of eligible application are not available from any State/ UTs/Community, then its balance quota will be allocated to the same community of other State/UTs from where eligible applications have been received.

## **10. GENERAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:**

- a. Only girl students belonging to six notified Minority Communities i.e. Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists, Jains and Parsis are eligible.
- b. Scholarship will be awarded to minorities' girl students who are studying in Class 9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>, and have secured at-least 50% marks or equivalent grade in aggregate in previous class/qualifying exam.
- c. The credentials of student requires School Verification. For this purpose the students are advised to download the School Verification form

and get it signed by the Principal of the School. Principal stamp & signature are required on photograph and at the given space in the form. The scan copy of the School Verification form is to be uploaded and attached to the application.

- d. Annual income of student's parents/guardian from all sources does not exceed Rs.2.00 lakh. Students have to submit the Income certificate of parents/guardian issued by the Competent Authority declared by the State Government/UTs Administration. Alternatively, the Income Certificates from Pardhan / Sarpanch, Municipal Board, Councillors, MLA, MP or from any Gazetted Officer may also be considered, apart from the Income Certificate received from concerned department.
- e. Income Certificate must be in Hindi/English language. In case the Income Certificate is in Regional language then it should be accompanied by notarized Hindi/English Version.
- f. Students are advised to submit only **“One Application Form”**. In case if students submit more than one application form then all the applications submitted by students will be considered as **“Duplicate”** and will be **“Rejected”**.
- g. All required documents only in Hindi or English must be uploaded alongwith online application.
- h. No physical/hard copy is required to be sent/submitted by post or by hand to MAEF.
- i. Scholarship will not be given to more than two students from a family of the same class.

- j. No scholarship shall be given for studies abroad for any course.
- k. There are no fees/charges for either online application form or for any other service in this regard.

**11. RENEWAL OF SCHOLARSHIP:**

No applications for renewal of scholarships will be entertained. Since the applications are open for all classes, i.e. from 9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>, the beneficiaries will have to apply afresh for each class.

**12. MODE OF TRANSFER OF AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP:**

- a. Amount of scholarship will be credited directly into the Beneficiary Bank Account through DBT mode.
- b. Any other mode of payment of amount of scholarship from MAEF like payment of fee, transfer in parents/guardian accounts and payment through cheque/DD are not permissible in any case.

**13. STUDENTS ALREADY GETTING SCHOLARSHIP:**

Student getting scholarship under any scholarship scheme, being implemented by the Central/State Government shall not be eligible to get scholarship under this scheme.

**14. CANCELTATION OF SCHOLARSHIP:**

- a. Scholarship shall be deemed discontinued with any gap of academic session in studies at any time due to any reason; the awarded scholarship may be suspended or cancelled.
- b. No claim for fresh/renewal of scholarship will be entertained from those applicants who have failed to submit their application in the prescribed time limit.
- c. If student is found to have obtained scholarship by false statement/certificates, scholarship will be cancelled and the amount of the scholarship paid shall be recovered, at the discretion of the concerned State Government/UTs Administration.

**15. REVIVAL OF SCHOLARSHIP:**

Scholarship once discontinued on the basis of the rules of disbursement of scholarship cannot be revived under any circumstances.

**16. CHANGING IN RULES:**

All rules are subject to change from time to time, as and when required, which will be binding on all.

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