

Directorate of Higher Education

Notification

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Government is pleased to notify the following Scheme for the information of general public and shall come into force from the date of publication in the Official Gazette.

“Mukhya Mantri Rashtriya Gunavatta Shishyavritti Yojana, 2025”

I. *Short title & commencement.*— This Scheme shall be called “Mukhya Mantri Rashtriya Gunavatta Shishyavritti Yojana, 2025” and the same shall come into force on the date of publication of its notification in the Official Gazette. The Scheme will be reviewed after 3 years.

II. *Introduction.*— The Mukhya Mantri Rashtriya Gunavatta Shishyavritti Yojana, 2025 is a visionary initiative by the Government of Goa aimed at empowering meritorious students who secure admissions to undergraduate programmes in reputed institutions across India through the All India Quota. This Scheme reflects the State’s commitment to nurturing academic excellence and supporting Goan students in pursuing quality higher education in India. By providing financial assistance and encouragement, the Scheme ensures that talent is never held back due to geographical or economic limitations.

III. *Aims and objectives.*— (1) To support and encourage meritorious Goan students who secure admission to undergraduate programmes in reputed national institutions through the All India Quota by providing financial assistance.

(2) To promote access to quality higher education across India for deserving students from Goa, irrespective of their financial background.

(3) To recognise and nurture academic talent and enable students to compete and excel at the national level.

IV. *Eligibility conditions.*— (1) The Scheme shall be applicable only for the candidate who is selected under the All India Quota and is pursuing the first year of the undergraduate programme.

(2) The applicant should be a resident of Goa for a minimum period of 15 years. However, if the applicant is of Goan origin and has a minimum period of 7 years of residence in Goa shall also be considered for the Scheme. The applicant who is of Goan origin shall submit the birth certificate of either of the parents/grandparents born in Goa.

(3) The applicant must have passed the qualifying higher secondary examination from an institution located in Goa.

(4) The applicant must be a bonafide student of the institution (in which she/he is pursuing the undergraduate programme) for the academic year for which the Scheme is announced. At the time of application, the applicant should provide the bonafide certificate and a document stating that she/he has secured admission under the All India Quota, issued by the institution of study.

(5) The applicant shall pursue a regular undergraduate programme in any discipline. Distance and online programmes are not covered under the Scheme.

V. *Number of Awards.*— (1) All applicants admitted for the undergraduate programme under the All India Quota will be eligible to apply under this Scheme.

(2) (a) The Award shall consist of a sum of INR 1,00,000/- for those selected under All India Quota for pursuing UG programmes in the Indian Institute of Science (IISc) Bangalore, Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), the Indian Institute of Management (IIM), All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS).

(b) The Award shall consist of a sum of INR 75,000/- for those selected under All India Quota for pursuing UG programmes in Indian Statistical Institute (ISI), Institute of Mathematical Science (IMSc) Chennai, National Institute of Design (NID), Tata Institute of Social Science (TISS), National School of Drama (NSD), Institute of Town Planners India (ITPI), National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT), Jawaharlal Institute of Post Graduate Medical Education and Research (JIPMER).

(c) The Award shall consist of a sum of INR 50,000/- for those selected under All India Quota for pursuing UG programmes in Indian Institutes of Science Education and Research (IISER), National Institute of Technology(NIT), Indian Institute of Information Technology (IIIT), National Law School of India University (NLSIU), Film and Television Institute of India (FTII), Goa Medical College (GMC), Goa Dental College, Institutes of Hotel Management (IHM), Indian Institute of Tourism and Travel Management (IITTM) or any institution figuring in top 50 NIRF overall category or any institution figuring in top 20 in NIRF individual category.

In all cases, the disbursement shall be made in Indian currency (INR). The disbursement shall be through Direct Benefit Transfer.

(d) The Award shall consist of a sum of INR 25,000/- for those selected under the All India Quota for pursuing UG programmes in All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA) and other all India institutes offering UG programmes under Ayurveda, Siddha, Unani and Homeopathy (ASU&H).

(3) Since the above list of the institutions is not exhaustive, if in case any application is received where in admission is taken in the institution not listed in V.2(a, b, c & d), the Selection Committee may decide whether the same can be considered at par with the institutions listed at V.2(a, b, c & d) and accordingly consider or reject the application.

VI. *Application Procedure.*— (1) The Directorate of Higher Education shall announce the Scheme in various local dailies as well as on the website of the Directorate of Higher Education and the State Government.

(2) Any applicant fulfilling the eligibility conditions may apply for the Scheme by filling and submitting the prescribed proforma on or before the last date announced by the Directorate.

(3) All claims made by the applicant shall be supported by documentary evidence.

(4) All applicants shall be issued a registration number. The registration number must be quoted in all subsequent correspondence.

(5) Only the candidate whose application is complete in all respects shall be placed before the Selection Committee.

(6) The Selection Committee shall recommend the list of eligible candidates as per the criteria laid down.

(7) The last date for applying for this Scheme shall be notified every year by the Directorate of Higher Education. The applicant should apply online in the prescribed proforma made available on the website of the Directorate of Higher Education.

(8) If the applicant has been selected for a course that involves deadlines with payment of fees and other charges, it shall be the responsibility of the applicant herself/himself to arrange adequate finance for meeting such deadlines.

VII. *Selection Committee.*— (1) The State Government shall constitute a Selection Committee for shortlisting of candidates following the criteria laid down under Clause IV of this Scheme. The Committee will consist of the following members:

(a) A Chairperson.

(b) Two members to be nominated by the Government

(c) The Director, Directorate of the Higher Education to be the Member Secretary.

VIII. *Higher Education Promotion Fund (HEPF).*— (1) A fund by the name of 'Higher Education Promotion Fund' (HEPF) has already been established by the Government. All award amounts sanctioned under this Scheme shall be paid out of this fund. The Government will take steps to replenish the quantum of funds available with HEPF, from time to time.

(2) The Directorate of Higher Education shall manage the Higher Education Promotion Fund (HEPF).

IX. *Framing of Guidelines.*— The Directorate of Higher Education may frame the guidelines as and when required for the effective implementation of this Scheme.

X. *Pattern of Assistance.*— (1) The Scheme shall be admissible to the beneficiary fulfilling the eligibility conditions and completing the application procedure as prescribed in the Scheme.

(2) The Drawing and Disbursing Officer shall draw the amount available for this purpose under the respective Budget Head at the beginning of the financial year and transfer the same to the Higher Education Promotion Fund for better management of the funds after due approval from the Administrative Secretary. The amount shall be debited to the Budget Head 2202—General Education; 03—University and Higher Education; 107—Scholarships; 03—Mukhya Mantri Rashtriya Gunavatta Shishyavritti Yojana, 2025; 00—General; 34—Scholarships/Stipend under Demand No. 35.

(3) The amount shall be drawn from the Directorate of Accounts on presenting the bill in the prescribed form by the Drawing and Disbursing Officer.

(4) The Directorate shall maintain records about its transactions in such a form and such a manner as may be prescribed from time to time.

(5) The award amount shall be transferred into the bank account of the beneficiary from the Higher Education Promotion Fund through Direct Benefit Transfer, after due approval from the Government once the selection procedure is finalised and candidates are selected for the award under the Scheme.

(6) The selected candidates shall furnish a pre-receipt for the amount sanctioned. The selected candidate will also submit a certificate from the bank stating the name of the account holder, account number, name of the bank, bank branch address, IFSC code and a statement that the account is Aadhaar-seeded.

XI. *Relaxation.*— The Government shall be empowered to relax any or all clauses or conditions of this scheme for reasons to be recorded if it is deemed fit to further the spirit of the Scheme.

XII. *Interpretation.*— If any question arises regarding the interpretation of any clause, word, or expression of the Scheme, the decision about the interpretation shall be with the Government, which shall be final and binding on all concerned.

XIII. *Redressal of Grievances & Disputes.*— In case of any grievance arising out of the implementation of this Scheme, the Administrative Secretary shall hear and decide such matters. No grievances shall be entertained after 90 days from the date of declaration of recommendation of the Selection Committee. The decision of the Administrative Secretary in this regard shall be final and binding on all concerned.

This issues with the concurrence of the Finance (Expenditure) Department vide their U.O. No. 1400118646 dated 17/09/2026.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

Santosh P. Naik, Under Secretary (Higher Education).

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Department of Finance

Finance (Budget) Division

Notification

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Sub: Establishment of Chief Minister's Medical Assistance Cell.

The Government is pleased to constitute The Chief Minister's Medical Assistance Cell under the Chief Minister's Relief Fund.