

8. Pre-Matric Scholarship for Children of those Engaged in Unclean Occupations

Theme	Education
Department	Social Welfare department
Target group(s)	School going children of parents who are engaged in occupations that are regarded as unclean occupations.
Description of the scheme	School going children of parents who are engaged in unclean occupations receive financial support to complete their pre-matric education.
Objective	<p>The objective of this scheme is to provide financial assistance to enable pursuing pre-matric education for the children of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Scavengers engaged in manual cleaning / carrying of human excreta or cleaning of manholes and open drains, ii. Sweepers having traditional link with scavenging, iii. Tanners iv. Flayers, and v. Beneficiaries covered under the Self Employment Scheme for Rehabilitation of Manual Scavengers (SRMS), born before the rehabilitation of their parent / guardian under SRMS.
Eligibility	Students whose parents are engaged in unclean occupations and whose income does not exceed Rs. 2100/- per month.
How to apply for this scheme	Application forms are available free of cost with the District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO).

Procedure	The application forms are obtained from the DSWO/TSWO/Institution or any other authorized agency free of cost. The beneficiary /guardian of the applicant has to complete the application form and also enclose proofs regarding income status/address/Marks obtained/occupation2. Complete case is to be submitted to the concerned head of the institution against proper receipt. The concerned head of the institution consolidates the list of eligible applicants under each scheme and forwards to the Zonal education officers. Who after recording necessary certificates on the list forwards the list to the Tehsil Social Welfare officer/District Social Welfare officer for scrutiny. The DSWO consolidates the list of eligible students and after recording necessary certificate(s) and forwards to the Director Social Welfare for arrangement of funds/ sanction.
Value of the financial assistance	Class I to V: Rs. 990/- Class V to VIII: Rs. 990/- Class IX to X: Rs. 990/- In addition, Rs. 750/- will also be provided to these students once in a year.
Whom to contact for the actual status of the scheme	District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) or Tehsil Social Welfare officer (TSWO).