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## National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP):

### 1.1 Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension Scheme (IGNOAPS)

<b>Theme</b>	Financial support
<b>Department</b>	Social Welfare department
<b>Target group(s)</b>	Elderly persons with the age of 65 years or above, living below the poverty line (BPL).
<b>Description of the scheme</b>	Financial assistance at the rate of Rs. 400/- per month is available for old-aged persons, provided that the age of the applicant is 65 years or higher.
<b>Objective</b>	To ensure social security of elderly persons.
<b>Eligibility</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Age of the applicant (male or female) shall be 65 years or higher.</li><li>- The applicant must belong to a household below the poverty line (BPL).</li></ul>
<b>How to apply for this scheme</b>	Application forms can be obtained from the District Social Welfare Officers (DSWO) or Tehsil Social Welfare (TSW) free of cost. Applications along with the requisite documents are to be deposited with the Tehsil Social Welfare Officers (TSWOs) concerned.
<b>Procedure</b>	The application forms are obtained from the DSWO/TSWO or any other authorized agency free of cost. The applicant/guardian of the applicant has to complete the application form and also enclose proofs regarding age/income/status/address proof. The complete case is to be submitted to the concerned social welfare officer against proper receipt. The concerned Tehsil Social Welfare Officer (TSWO) consolidates the list of eligible applicants under each scheme and forwards to the social welfare officers for arrangement of funds /accord of sanction by a district level designated Sanctioning Committee.
<b>Value of the financial assistance</b>	Rs. 400/- per month per beneficiary.
<b>Whom to contact for the actual status of the scheme</b>	District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) or Tehsil Social Welfare officer (TSWO)



## 1.2 Indira Gandhi National Widow Pension Scheme (IGNWPS)

<b>Theme</b>	Financial support
<b>Department</b>	Social Welfare department
<b>Target group(s)</b>	Widows living below poverty line (BPL).
<b>Description of the scheme</b>	Widows living below poverty line with no source of income are provided financial assistance in the form of monthly pension. The pension is given to the widows aged between 40 and 64 years. The applicant should be a household below poverty line (BPL). The pension will be discontinued if there is the case of remarriage or once the widow moves above the poverty line.
<b>Objective</b>	To ensure social security of widows living below poverty line (BPL).
<b>Eligibility</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The age of the widow shall be between 40 and 64 years.</li> <li>- The applicant must belong to a household below the poverty line (BPL).</li> </ul>
<b>How to apply for this scheme</b>	Application forms can be obtained from the District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) or Tehsil Social Welfare (TSW) free of cost.
<b>Procedure</b>	The application forms are obtained from the District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO)/Tehsil Social Welfare Officer (TSWO) or any other authorized agency free of cost. The applicant/guardian of the applicant has to complete the application form and also enclose proofs regarding age/income/status/address proof. The complete case is to be submitted to the concerned social welfare officer against proper receipt. The concerned Tehsil Social welfare Officer consolidates the list of eligible applicants under each scheme and forwards this to the social welfare officers for arrangement of funds/accord of sanction by a district level designated sanctioned committee.
<b>Value of the financial assistance</b>	Rs. 400/- per month per beneficiary.
<b>Whom to contact for the actual status of the scheme</b>	District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) or Tehsil Social Welfare Officer (TSWO).



### 1.3 Indira Gandhi National Disability Pension Scheme (IGNDPS)

<b>Theme</b>	Financial support
<b>Department</b>	Social Welfare Department
<b>Target group(s)</b>	Physically challenged persons with severe and/or multiple disability living below poverty line (BPL).
<b>Description of the scheme</b>	Physically challenged persons with multiple/severe disability living below poverty line with no source of income are provided financial assistance in the form of monthly pension.
<b>Objective</b>	To ensure social security of physically challenged persons living below poverty line (BPL).
<b>Eligibility</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The age of the disabled should be between 18 - 64 years</li> <li>- The applicant must belong to a household below the poverty line (BPL);</li> <li>- The applicant should be suffering from severe or multiple disabilities.</li> </ul>
<b>How to apply for this scheme</b>	Application forms can be obtained from the District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) or Tehsil Social Welfare (TSW) free of cost.
<b>Procedure</b>	The application forms are obtained from the DSWO/TSWO 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 age /income/status/address proof. The complete case is to be submitted to the concerned social welfare officer against proper receipt. The concerned Tehsil Social welfare officer consolidates the list of eligible applicants under each scheme and forwards to the social welfare officers for arrangement of funds /accord of sanction by a district level designated sanctioned committee.
<b>Value of the financial assistance</b>	Rs. 400/- per month per beneficiary.
<b>Whom to contact for the actual status of the scheme</b>	District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) or Tehsil Social Welfare officer (TSWO)



## 1.4 National Family Benefit Scheme (NFBS)

<b>Theme</b>	Financial support
<b>Department</b>	Social Welfare department
<b>Target group(s)</b>	Households living below poverty line (BPL) whose primary bread earner dies due to accident/natural cause.
<b>Description of the scheme</b>	The NFBS provides one time lumpsum cash assistance of Rs. 10,000/- to families living below poverty line on the death of the primary bread earner (member of the household whose earnings contribute substantially to household income) between the age group 18-64 years. The death of such primary bread earner should have occurred whilst he or she is 18 to 64 years of age and has no earning son above the age of 21 years. The payment is made to the widow or the daughter of the family.
<b>Objective</b>	To ensure social security of households living below poverty line whose primary bread earner has died.
<b>Eligibility</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– The primary bread earner of the household whose earnings contributed substantial to the household income dies due to accident/natural cause.</li> <li>– The death of such a primary breadwinner should have occurred whilst he/she is in the age group of 18-64 years, i.e. more than 18 years of age and less than 65 years of age.</li> <li>– The bereaved household should belong to below the poverty line (BPL).</li> <li>– There is no earning son in the family.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> The term 'household' includes spouse, minor children, unmarried daughters and dependent parents of the deceased. In case of death of an unmarried adult, the term 'household' will include minor brothers/sisters.</p>
<b>How to apply for this scheme</b>	Application forms can be obtained from the District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) or Tehsil Social Welfare (TSW) free of cost.



<b>Procedure</b>	The application forms are obtained from the DSWO/TSWO or any other authorized agency free of cost. The applicant/guardian of the applicant has to complete the application form and also enclose proofs regarding age/income/status/address proof/Death certificate. Complete case is to be submitted to the concerned social welfare officer against proper receipt. The concerned Tehsil Social welfare officer consolidates the list of eligible applicants under the scheme and processes them for block level sanction. These cases are then submitted to DSWO for arrangement of funds/accord of sanction by district level sanctioning committee headed by District Programme Officer (DPO) ICDS.
<b>Value of the financial assistance</b>	Rs. 10,000/- (one time)
<b>Whom to contact for the actual status of the scheme</b>	District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) or Tehsil Social Welfare officer



## 2. Contributory Social Security Scheme (CSSS)

<b>Theme</b>	Financial support
<b>Department</b>	Social Welfare department
<b>Target group(s)</b>	Marginal workers whose income does not exceed Rs. 48,000/- per annum
<b>Description of the scheme</b>	<p>The scheme intends to provide social security to marginal workers* in contributory basis where the beneficiaries' income should not exceed Rs. 48,000 per annum. The duration of the scheme shall be for a period as under</p> <p>a) 5 years, or b) 10 years.</p> <p>A contribution of Rs 300 by the state and of Rs 200/- by the beneficiary shall be made per quarter for a period of 5 or 10 years into the joint account opened for this purpose. The amount will be deposited in a bank account opened for the beneficiary, which will remain pledged to the District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) for the period of the scheme. On completion of the scheme the beneficiary has the option to withdraw the whole amount or re-invest in a pension scheme. The beneficiary is insured under this scheme.</p> <p>* Marginal workers can include agriculture and non-agricultural labour, rural barber, craftsmen, shepherd, blacksmiths, masons, weavers, etc.</p>
<b>Objective</b>	This scheme is intended to provide financial support to marginal workers in the state with a meager income on contributory basis.
<b>Eligibility</b>	<p>The applicant:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Shall be a permanent residents of J&amp;K</li> <li>2. Shall not be below 18 years of age</li> <li>3. Has an income from all sources that does not exceed Rs. 48,000/- per year</li> <li>4. The applicant or his spouse should not be a beneficiary of any existing scheme.</li> </ol>



<b>How to apply for this scheme</b>	<p>1. Application forms are available at the concerned Tehsil Social Welfare Office (TSWO), nodal bank (J&amp;K) and at the District Social Welfare Office (DSWO) free of cost.</p> <p>2. The completed CSSS form has to be submitted to the TSWO.</p> <p>3. The following documents need to be attached with the application form in support of the claim:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Proof of identity/residence</li> <li>Proof of age issued by the Board of School Education/Educational institution last attended, or Block Medical Officer in case of illiterate persons.</li> <li>Certificate of profession and income from Revenue Department not below the rank of Tehsildar or from the Administrator/Chairman of the concerned Local Government Body or from the Sarpanch of the concerned Panchayat.</li> <li>Three passport size photographs.</li> </ol> <p>4. The application form and requisite documents will be received by the TSWO of the concerned Tehsil at the time as may be notified by the Government.</p>
<b>Procedure</b>	<p>After submission of the CSSS form with supported documents to the TSWO concerned, the cases are forwarded to DSWO for approval/sanction by a designated district level sanction committee headed by Deputy Commissioner concerned. After obtaining the approval, the DSWO shall issue an authorization to the designated nodal branch of the J&amp;K Bank to admit the beneficiary as a member of the scheme. The branch concerned shall open a recurring social security deposit account (tailor made for the purpose) in the name of beneficiary to which contribution by the state and beneficiary shall be made.</p>
<b>Value of the financial assistance</b>	<p>The contribution by the beneficiary is Rs. 200/- per quarter.</p> <p>The contribution by the State is Rs. 300/- per quarter.</p>
<b>Whom to contact for the actual status of the scheme</b>	<p>The District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) or Tehsil Social Welfare Officer (TSWO) and the related bank branch.</p>



### 3. Aam Aadmi Bima Yojana

<b>Theme</b>	Financial support
<b>Department</b>	Social Welfare department/Life Insurance Company (LIC)
<b>Target group(s)</b>	Rural landless households
<b>Description of the scheme</b>	This scheme provides death and disability insurance cover to rural landless households in J&K in case the head of the family or one earning member of the household becomes disabled due to an accident or dies before the age of 60 due to natural causes or in an accident.
<b>Objective</b>	To provide death and disability insurance cover to the head of the family or one earning member in the family of rural landless households (RLH).
<b>Eligibility</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The member should be aged between 18-59 years.</li> <li>- The member should normally be the head of the family or one of the earning members in the family of a rural landless house hold.</li> </ul>
<b>How to apply for this scheme</b>	Application form can be obtained from the District Social Welfare Office (DSWO) or Tehsil Social Welfare (TSWO) and shall be deposited with these agencies along with required documents.
<b>Procedure</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Identification of eligible groups: the Social Welfare Department shall identify the beneficiaries to be covered under this scheme, in consultation with the Panchayati Raj institutions where feasible.</li> <li>2. Registration of insured members: the Life Insurance Company (LIC) will maintain a register of names of beneficiaries covered under this scheme.</li> <li>3. Verification of age: The LIC agency can verify the age of the beneficiaries of this scheme through: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Ration card</li> <li>b. Extract from Birth Register</li> <li>c. Extract from School Certificate</li> <li>d. Voter's List, or</li> <li>e. Identity Card</li> </ol> </li> </ol> <p>In case of doubt, a certificate from a Primary Health Centre can be accepted as authentic proof of age.</p>



<b>Value of the financial assistance</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Natural death: Rs. 30,000/-</li> <li>2. Accidental death or disability:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Accidental death: Rs. 75,000/-</li> <li>b. Permanent disability due to an accident: Rs. 75,000/-</li> <li>c. Loss of 2 eyes, or 2 limbs OR loss of one eye and one limb in an accident: Rs. 75,000/-</li> <li>d. Loss of one eye or one limb in an accident: Rs. 37,500/-</li> </ol> </li> </ol> <p><i>Note: "Death/total permanent disability due an accident" means: Death/disability occurring within 180 days of the happening of bodily injury, resulting solely and directly from an accident caused by violent, external and visible means, independently of any other cause.</i></p> <p>Scholarship as a free add-on benefit will be provided to a maximum of two children of the beneficiary, studying between class IX to XII, at Rs. 100/- per month per student.</p> <p>Premium to be paid: Rs. 200/- per annum per member for a cover of Rs. 30,000/-, which will be paid by the government.</p>
<b>Whom to contact for the actual status of the scheme</b>	<p>The District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) or Tehsil Social Welfare officer or the Life Insurance Company (LIC).</p>



## 4. Integrated Social Security Scheme (ISSS):

### 4.1 Women in Distress

<b>Theme</b>	Financial assistance
<b>Department</b>	Social Welfare Department
<b>Target group(s)</b>	Destitute, divorced or widowed women in J&K
<b>Description of the scheme</b>	Women in distress, including destitute, separated, divorced or widow are provided financial support in the form of monthly pension.
<b>Objective</b>	To enhance social security of destitute, divorced or widowed women in J&K.
<b>Eligibility</b>	For pension: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Applicant shall be widow/destitute/divorce/women in distress as mentioned in the Act.</li><li>– Applicant shall be between 45 and 55 years old</li><li>– There is a special provision for providing training kits to the young women in distress /widows/divorcee. Under this component a sewing kit / handloom kit having a cost of RS 3500/- is provided to enable them to earn their livelihood.</li></ul>
<b>How to apply for this scheme</b>	Application forms are available with the District Social Welfare Office (DSWO) free of cost.
<b>Procedure</b>	The application forms are obtained from the DSWO/TSWO 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 age /income/status/address proof. The complete case is to be submitted to the concerned social welfare officer against proper receipt. The concerned Tehsil Social Welfare Officer consolidates the list of eligible applicants under each scheme and forwards to the social welfare officers for arrangement of funds /accord of sanction by a district level designated sanctioned committee.
<b>Value of the financial assistance</b>	The assistance of Rs. 200/- per month is paid through designated bank branches.
<b>Whom to contact for the actual status of the scheme</b>	District Social Welfare Office (DSWO) or Tehsil Social Welfare officer (TSWO)



## 4.2 Old Age Pension (OAP)

<b>Theme</b>	Financial assistance
<b>Department</b>	Social Welfare department
<b>Target group(s)</b>	Old aged men above 60 years and females above 55 years of age with meagre support and/or no source of income
<b>Description of the scheme</b>	Old aged men and women with no source of income are provided with financial support in form of pension.
<b>Objective</b>	To ensure social security of old aged persons with no source of income
<b>Eligibility</b>	Applicants shall: - Be 60 years and above in case of males and 55 years or above in case of females. - Have meager income.
<b>How to apply for this scheme</b>	Application forms are available with the District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) or Tehsil Social Welfare Officer (TSWO) free of cost. Forms can be submitted at the DSWO/TSWO after completion of the forms along with any required information.
<b>Procedure</b>	The application forms are obtained from the DSWO/TSWO or any other authorized agency free of cost. The applicant/guardian of the applicant has to complete the application form and also enclose proofs regarding age/income/status/address proof. The complete case is to be submitted to the concerned social welfare officer against proper receipt. The concerned Tehsil Social Welfare Officer consolidates the list of eligible applicants under each scheme and forwards to the social welfare officers for arrangement of funds/accord of sanction by a district level designated sanctioned committee.
<b>Value of the financial assistance</b>	The rate of assistance is Rs. 200/- per month per beneficiary.
<b>Whom to contact for the actual status of the scheme</b>	District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO).



### 4.3 Pension for Physically Challenged Persons (PCP)

<b>Theme</b>	Financial support
<b>Department</b>	Social Welfare department
<b>Target group(s)</b>	Physically handicapped persons including blind, deaf and dumb with a disability above 40% and no source of income.
<b>Description of the scheme</b>	This pension is provided to persons with 40% and more disability who have no source of income.
<b>Objective</b>	To financially support physically challenged persons with no source of income.
<b>Eligibility</b>	The applicant shall: - Have a physical disability of 40% and above - Have no source of income.
<b>How to apply for this scheme</b>	Application forms are available with the District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) or Tehsil Social Welfare Officer (TSWO) free of cost. Forms can be submitted at the DSWO/TSWO after completion of the forms along with any required information.
<b>Procedure</b>	The application forms are obtained from the DSWO/TSWO or any other authorized agency free of cost. The applicant/guardian of the applicant has to complete the application form and also enclose proofs regarding age/income/status/address proof/Disability. The complete case is to be submitted to the concerned social welfare officer against proper receipt. The concerned Tehsil Social Welfare Officer consolidates the list of eligible applicants under each scheme and forwards to the social welfare officers for arrangement of funds /accord of sanction by a district level designated sanctioned committee.
<b>Value of the financial assistance</b>	The rate of assistance is Rs. 400 per month per beneficiary.
<b>Whom to contact for the actual status of the scheme</b>	District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) or Tehsil Social Welfare Officer (TSWO).



## 5. Pre-Matric Scholarship for Physically Challenged and OBC Students

<b>Theme</b>	Education
<b>Department</b>	Social Welfare department
<b>Target group(s)</b>	School going ST/SC/OBC or handicapped children of poorer parents whose annual income is below double the poverty line.
<b>Description of the scheme</b>	Pre-matric scholarship is provided to OBC and physically challenged students from class I to X . For OBC and physically challenged students parental income shall not exceed Rs. 2100 per month.
<b>Objective</b>	To encourage students to achieve academic pursuits.
<b>Eligibility</b>	Minimum required school attendance for all classes is 80% Minimum marks should be 50% and above for class VI-VIII and 55% and above for class IX-X. For all classes the income of parents/guardians should not exceed Rs. 2100/- per month.
<b>How to apply for this scheme</b>	A list of eligible students as available with the Head of Institution is forward to the concerned 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 accord of sanction by district level sanctioning committee.
<b>Procedure</b>	The application forms are obtained from the District Social Welfare officer (DSWO)/Tehsil Social Welfare officer (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. 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 this to the Zonal Education Officers, who after recording necessary certificates on the list forward the list to the TSWO/DSWO for accord of sanction by District



	Level Sanctioning Committee. The District Level Sanctioning Committee comprising of Chief Education Officer as member, DSWO as member secretary and DDC as chairman of the committee.
<b>Value of the financial assistance</b>	<p>Rates:</p> <p>Class I to V: boys Rs. 50/-, girls Rs. 75/- per month</p> <p>Class VI to VIII: boys Rs. 100/-, girls Rs. 150/- per month</p> <p>Class IX to X: boys Rs. 150/-, girls Rs. 200/- per month</p> <p>Class XI to XII: boys Rs. 150/-, girls Rs. 300/- per month</p>
<b>Whom to contact for the actual status of the scheme</b>	District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO), Tehsil Social Welfare Officer (TSWO) or Zonal Education Officer (ZEO).



## 6. Stipend to ITI students from OBC background

<b>Theme</b>	Education
<b>Department</b>	Social Welfare department
<b>Target group(s)</b>	Industrial Training Institute (ITI) students of scheduled castes (SC), scheduled tribes (ST) or other backward classes (OBC)
<b>Description of the scheme</b>	SC, ST and OBC students who are studying at an Industrial Training Institute and whose parental income is low, receive a monthly stipend to support them in their academic course.
<b>Objective</b>	To encourage OBC, SC and ST students to pursue vocational education.
<b>Eligibility</b>	Students from OBC background studying in Industrial Training Institutes pursuing various technical courses. The monthly income of the parents/guardians of the students shall not exceed Rs. 2100/- per month.
<b>How to apply for this scheme</b>	Application forms are available with the Head of Institute or the District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO)/Tehsil Social Welfare Officer (TSWO).
<b>Procedure</b>	The application forms can be 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. 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 the scheme and forwards to the Tehsil Social Welfare officer (TSWO)/District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) for accord of sanction by district level sanctioning Committee. The Sanctioning Committee comprises of Principal of concerned ITI as member, the District Social Welfare Officer as Member of Secretary and Deputy Commissioner concerned as chairman.



<b>Value of the financial assistance</b>	<p>Trainees are provided stipend at the following rates:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Rs. 100/- per month for students whose parental income is Rs. 500/- per month.</li> <li>2. Rs. 75/- per month for students whose parental income is Rs. 750/- per month.</li> <li>3. Rs. 50/- per month for students whose parental income is Rs. 1000/- per month.</li> </ol>
<b>Whom to contact for the actual status of the scheme</b>	District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO)/Principal ITI.



## 7. Post-Matric Scholarship for Physically Challenged, SC, Pahari and OBC Students

<b>Theme</b>	Education
<b>Department</b>	Social Welfare Department
<b>Target group(s)</b>	Students pursuing various post-matric academic programmes and courses
<b>Description of the scheme</b>	This scholarship provides financial assistance to the SC/OBC or physically handicapped students studying at post matriculation or post-secondary stage to enable them to pursue higher education.
<b>Objective</b>	To provide financial assistance to the OBC students studying at post matriculation or post-secondary stage to enable them to pursue higher education.
<b>Eligibility</b>	<p>For OBC and physically challenged students:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The income limit of parents/guardians is Rs. 44,500/- per year.</li> <li>- The student must be from OBC category or having more than 40% disability in case of physically challenged and studying in recognised institutions for recognised courses.</li> <li>- The student is not in receipt of any other scholarship under any other Institution/course/category.</li> </ul> <p>For SC/Pahari students:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The scholarship is available for students in under graduation and above.</li> <li>- Income limit of parents/guardians is Rs. 1.08 Lakhs per year.</li> <li>- The students must be from SC/Pahari speaking category, and studying in recognised institutions for recognised courses.</li> <li>- The student is not in receipt of any other scholarship under any other institution/course/category.</li> </ul>



<b>How to apply for this scheme</b>	Application forms are available with the District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) free of costs. Completed applications are to be submitted with the concerned Head of Institution.
<b>Procedure</b>	The Head of Institution will verify the application form and make recommendations regarding eligibility and forward the list of eligible applicants to the District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) for consolidation and scrutiny. The DSWO concerned after recording necessary certificate will forward the list to the Director Social Welfare for arrangement of funds/accord of sanction. The sanctioned students are paid scholarship at the prescribed rates.
<b>Value of the financial assistance</b>	See table on the next page.
<b>Whom to contact for the actual status of the scheme</b>	District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) or the Director Social Welfare Department.



i) Maintenance allowance for post-matric scholarship:

Course of (1)	(Rs. Per Month) Rate of Maintenance Allowance	
	Hostlers (2)	Day Scholars (3)
<b>Group A</b> Medical /Engineering including Degree level Courses in Indian Medicine, B.A.M&S and Comparable courses in Ayurveda, Unani/ Tibbia and Homeopathic System of Medicines. B.Sc (Agriculture/ B.V.Sc/B.F.Sc (Fisheries) Higher technical and all professional studies like Degree and Post-Matric courses in Agricultural and Veterinary Science.	425	190
<b>Group B</b> Diploma level courses in Indian Medicine and Comparable courses in Ayurvedic, Unani/Tibbia and Homeopathic system of Medicine. Diploma & comparable courses in Engineering, Technology, Architecture, medicine, diploma level Courses in printing technology and courses for Overseer , draftsman, surveyor, Commercial Pilot License, Diploma and higher courses in Hotel Management catering technology and applied Nutrition. Degree and post-graduate course in nursing and pharmacy. Wireless and television operators/sound recording and sound engineering motion picture, photography, film direction/acting. screenplay/ writing/ Degree/ post graduate Diploma courses in business management, Chartered and Cost / Works Accountancy. Post Graduate courses in Science subjects.	290	190
<b>Group C</b> Certificate courses in Engineering/Technology/Architecture and Medicine, Diploma and Certificate courses in Agriculture, Pharmacy, veterinary Science, Fisheries , Dairy development, Hygiene and Public Health , sanitary Inspector's Course, courses for Rural services, Cooperation and Community development, Sub-Officer' course at the national Fire Service College, Nagpur, Library Science.	290	190



Degree / Post Graduate Diploma and Post Graduate Courses in Teachers' training, Library Science and Physical Education , Music Fine Arts and Law, Craft Instructor's Training Course, Certificate Course in Hotel Management/Catering Technology and Applied Nutrition, Passenger transport Management, Associate degree I Pharmacy , Post graduate courses in Arts and Commerce subjects.		
<b>Group D</b> General Courses upto Graduate level (2 <sup>nd</sup> year and onward)	230	120
<b>Group E</b> Classes X1th and X11th in 10+2 System Intermediate courses and first year of General courses upto graduate level.	150	90

**Note: 1 Commercial Pilot License Course (CPL)**

CPL course shall be covered under Group 'B'. The number of awards for CPL will be 20 per annum. Consequent upon receiving applications from concerned students, concerned State Governments/UT Admns., should scrutinize them for determining their eligibility under the Scheme and thereafter intimate the number of eligible applications for CPL training (with their names) for each financial year to Ministry of Social justice & Empowerment (the applications themselves need not be sent to the Ministry). Upon receipt of such information, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment will give clearance to the concerned States/UTs on the first -come first-serve basis upto 20 awards for the country as a whole. The selected candidates will be provided a maintenance allowance at rates applicable to Group 'B' courses, i.e. Rs. 290 per month for hostlers and Rs. 190 per month for day scholars. In addition, all compulsory fees, including flight charges are to be provided in fee.

**Note 2:** M. Phil and Ph.D courses are post-graduation courses. Scholarship to such students may be paid at the rate of maintenance allowance for Group 'A', 'B' or 'C' depending on the course under these groups.

**Note 3:** Scholars who are entitles to free board and/or lodging will be paid maintenance chargers at 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of Hostlers' rate.



## **ii) Reader Charges for blind students (Blind Scholars)**

The blind scholars will be given additional amount as 'Readers Charges' as mentioned below:-

Group	Reader Allowance (Rs. P.m.)
Group A, B, C	100
Group D	75
Group E	50

## **iii) Fees**

Scholars will be paid enrolment /registration, tuition, games, Union, Library, Magazine, Medical examination and such other fees compulsorily payable by the scholar to the institution or University/Board. Refundable deposit-like caution money, security deposit will, however, be excluded.

## **iv) Study Tours**

Study tour charges upto a maximum of Rs. 500/- per annum limited to the actual expenditure incurred by the student on transportation charges etc., will be paid to the scholars studying professional and technical courses, provided that the head of the institution certifies that the study tour is essential for the scholar for completion of his/her course of study.

## **V) Thesis Typing /Printing charges**

Thesis typing/printing charges up to a maximum of Rs. 600 will be paid to research scholars on the recommendation of the Head of the Institution.

From: Website Ministry of Social Justice, Government of India: <http://socialjustice.nic.in>



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

<b>Theme</b>	Education
<b>Department</b>	Social Welfare department
<b>Target group(s)</b>	School going children of parents who are engaged in occupations that are regarded as unclean occupations.
<b>Description of the scheme</b>	School going children of parents who are engaged in unclean occupations receive financial support to complete their pre-matric education.
<b>Objective</b>	<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"> <li>i. Scavengers engaged in manual cleaning / carrying of human excreta or cleaning of manholes and open drains,</li> <li>ii. Sweepers having traditional link with scavenging,</li> <li>iii. Tanners</li> <li>iv. Flayers, and</li> <li>v. Beneficiaries covered under the Self Employment Scheme for Rehabilitation of Manual Scavengers (SRMS), born before the rehabilitation of their parent / guardian under SRMS.</li> </ul>
<b>Eligibility</b>	Students whose parents are engaged in unclean occupations and whose income does not exceed Rs. 2100/- per month.
<b>How to apply for this scheme</b>	Application forms are available free of cost with the District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO).



<b>Procedure</b>	<p>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.</p>
<b>Value of the financial assistance</b>	<p>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.</p>
<b>Whom to contact for the actual status of the scheme</b>	<p>District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) or Tehsil Social Welfare officer (TSWO).</p>



## 9. Pre-Matric Scholarship to Students Belonging to National Minorities

<b>Theme</b>	Education
<b>Department</b>	Social Welfare department
<b>Target group(s)</b>	Students belonging to national minorities
<b>Description of the scheme</b>	Students belonging to national minorities receive financial assistance in form of a scholarship to pursue their pre-matric education.
<b>Objective</b>	The scholarship at pre-matric level will encourage parents from national minorities to send their school going children to school, lighten their financial burden on school education and sustain their efforts to support their children to complete school education. The scheme will form the foundation for their educational attainment and provide a level playing field in the competitive employment arena. Empowerment through education, which is one of the objectives of this scheme, has the potential to lead to uplift of the socio-economic conditions of the minority communities.
<b>Eligibility</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- This scholarship is available for students studying in India only</li> <li>- Secured a minimum of 50% in their previous exam</li> <li>- Awarded for class I-X</li> <li>- Income limit of parents/guardians is Rs. 1.00 Lakhs per year</li> </ul>
<b>How to apply for this scheme</b>	Application forms are available with the Head of Institution/DSWO or on the website of the Ministry of Minority Affairs.
<b>Procedure</b>	The Head of Institution will send the list of eligible students under the above scheme to the Zonal Education Officer concerned. The zonal education officer after recording the necessary certificates will consolidate the list and forward to the Tehsil Social Welfare Officer/District Social Welfare officer/Chief Education Officer for accord of sanction. The District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) concerned after recording the necessary certificates will forward the list as per the prescribed format to the Director Social Welfare Department for arrangement of funds/Sanction by the Administration Department.



<b>Value of the financial assistance</b>	See table on next page.
<b>Whom to contact for the actual status of the scheme</b>	Chief Education Officer (CEO) or the District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO).  For more information and application forms see the website of the Ministry of Minority Affairs: <a href="http://minorityaffairs.gov.in">http://minorityaffairs.gov.in</a>

**Note:** The Ministry of Minority Affairs GOI has prescribed a fixed target for each state under pre-matric/post-matric/merit-sum-means based scholarship schemes.

Rate of the financial assistance (amount in Rs.):

S.No.	Item	*Hostellers	Day Scholars
1	Admission fee from class VI to X	Rs.500/- p/annum subject to actuals.	Rs.500/- p.a. subject to actuals.
2	Tuition fee from class VI to X	Rs.350/- p/month subject to actuals.	Rs.350/- p.m. subject to actuals.
3	Maintenance allowance will be payable for a period not exceeding 10 months in an academic year.		
	i) Class I to V	Nil	Rs. 100/- p.m.
	ii) Class VI to X	Rs. 600/- p.m. subject to actuals.	Rs. 100/- p.m

\* Hostellers include students who are staying in hostel of the school/institute concerned or those provided by the State Government/Union Territory Administration concerned.



## 10. Post-Matric Scholarship to Students Belonging to National Minorities

<b>Theme</b>	Education
<b>Department</b>	Social Welfare department
<b>Target group(s)</b>	Students pursuing various recognised courses in government/private recognised institutions and belonging to minority communities
<b>Description of the scheme</b>	This scholarship provides financial assistance to students belonging to minority communities studying at post matriculation or post-secondary stage to enable them to pursue higher education.
<b>Objective</b>	The objective of the scheme is to award scholarships to meritorious students belonging to economically weaker sections of minority community so as to provide them better opportunities for higher education, increase their rate of attainment in higher education and enhance their employability.
<b>Eligibility</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Available for students studying in India only</li> <li>- Secured a minimum of 50% in their previous exam</li> <li>- Income limit of parents/guardians is Rs. 2.0 Lakhs per year</li> <li>- It is awarded for other courses (XI-Ph.D.), not covered by MCM scheme.</li> </ul>
<b>How to apply for this scheme</b>	Application forms are available with the Head of Institute/District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) or on the website of the Ministry of Minority Affairs free of cost.
<b>Procedure</b>	Head of Institute will examine the application form of the eligible students after recording necessary certificates send it to the Chief Education Officer (CEO, up to 12 <sup>th</sup> standard)/District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) (in case of graduation courses beyond 12 <sup>th</sup> standard)/Director Social Welfare Department (in case of students pursuing various courses outside the state). The DSWO/Head of the Institution after recording the necessary certificates shall forward the list



	as per the prescribed format to the DSW department for onwards submission to the Administration Department for accord of sanction/arrangement of funds from Ministry of Minority Affairs, Government of India.
<b>Value of the financial assistance</b>	See table on next page.
<b>Whom to contact for the actual status of the scheme</b>	Chief Education Officer (CEO) or District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO).  For more information and application forms see the website of the Ministry of Minority Affairs: <a href="http://minorityaffairs.gov.in">http://minorityaffairs.gov.in</a>



**Rate of the financial assistance (amount in Rs):**

S.No.	Item	Hostellers*	Day Scholars
1	Admission and tuition fee for classes XI and XII	Actual subject to a maximum ceiling of Rs. 7,000/- p/annum	Actual subject to a maximum ceiling of Rs. 7,000/- p.a
2	Admission and course/tuition fee for technical and vocational courses of XI and XII level. (Includes fees/charges for raw materials, etc.)	Actual subject to a maximum ceiling of Rs. 10,000/- p.a.	Actual subject to a maximum ceiling of Rs. 10,000/- p.a.
3	Admission and tuition fee for undergraduate, post graduate.	Actual subject to a maximum ceiling of Rs. 3,000/- p.a	Actual subject to a maximum ceiling of Rs. 3,000/- p.a.
4	Maintenance allowance for 10 months only in an academic year (Includes expenses for study material, etc.)	Rs. 235/- p/month	Rs. 140/- p.m.
	(i) Classes XI and XII including technical and vocational courses of this level.		
	(ii) Courses other than technical and professional courses at undergraduate and post graduate level	Rs. 355/- p.m.	Rs. 185/- p.
	(iii) M. Phil and Ph.D. (For those researchers who are not awarded any fellowship by university or any other authority)	Rs. 510/- p.m.	Rs. 330/- p.m.

\* Hostellers include students who are not staying in hostel of the school/institute concerned but are staying as paying guest or in rented accommodation in towns/cities which are not the places where their parents reside.



## 11. Merit-cum Means Scholarship for Students Belonging to National Minorities

<b>Theme</b>	Education
<b>Department</b>	Social Welfare department
<b>Target group(s)</b>	Students belonging to national minorities pursuing technical or professional courses at under graduate/post graduate level in a government/private recognized institution.
<b>Description of the scheme</b>	<p>Students belonging to minority communities pursuing technical or professional courses at under graduate/post graduate level in an institution recognized by an appropriate authority are invited to apply for grant of merit-cum means based scholarship.</p> <p>This scholarship is available for studies in India only and will be awarded through the Head of the Institution by the Social Welfare department.</p>
<b>Objective</b>	To provide financial assistance to the poor and meritorious students belonging to minority communities to enable them to pursue professional and technical courses.
<b>Eligibility</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The student belongs to a Minority Community</li> <li>- The income limit of parents/guardians of Rs. 2.5 Lakhs per year. It is awarded only for specified professional and technical courses.</li> <li>- Students studying in institutes listed in the scheme (70 institutions) will be entitled to reimbursement of full course fee. Students studying in other recognized institutions will be entitled to reimbursement of a maximum course fee of Rs. 20,000/- per annum.</li> <li>- The scholarship is available for students studying in India only, provided they have secured minimum of 50% in their last qualifying exam (fresh cases) of minimum of 50% in their previous exam (renewal).</li> <li>- Renewal cases are given priority.</li> </ul>



<b>How to apply for this scheme</b>	<p>Application forms shall be available with the Head of Institution.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. An application for this scholarship should comprise of: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. One copy of the application for scholarship in the prescribed form.</li> <li>b. One copy of passport size photographs with signatures of the students there on (for fresh scholarship).</li> <li>c. One attested copy of certificates, diploma, degree etc. in respect of all examinations passed.</li> <li>d. An income declaration by the self-employed parents/guardians, stating definite income from all sources by way of an affidavit on non-judicial stamp paper. Employed parents/guardians are required to obtain an income certificate from their employer and for any additional income from other sources; they would furnish declaration by way of an affidavit on non-judicial stamp paper.</li> <li>e. Proof of permanent residence.</li> <li>f. A receipt in acknowledgement of the scholarship in the previous year on the form attached to the application, duly counter-signed by the Head of the Institution concerned, if the application was in receipt of a scholarship under this scheme in the preceding year.</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. Applications complete in all respects can be submitted to the Head of the Institution, being attended or last attended by the candidates and shall be addressed to an officer specified for this purpose.</li> </ol>
<b>Procedure</b>	<p>Submitted applications will after approval by the Head of Institute be sent to the Zonal Education Officer (ZEO, up to 12<sup>th</sup> standard) and/or to the District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) and after consolidation to the Director Social Welfare. Subsequently, the application shall be sent to the administration department and the Ministry of Minority Affairs of the Government of India. Finally the approved scholarship will be sent back to the Head of Institute.</p>
<b>Value of the</b>	<p>The rate of the scholarship will be as under:</p>



<b>financial assistance</b>	<p>1. Maintenance allowance (for 10 months only)  For Hostler: Rs. 10,000/- per annum (Rs. 1000/- per month)  For Day Scholar: Rs. 5,000/- per annum (Rs. 500/- per month)</p> <p>2. Course Fee (full course will be reimbursed for eligible institutions listed by the Government of India).  For Hostler: Rs. 20,000/- per annum or the actual fee, whichever is less  For Day Scholar: Rs. 20,000/- per annum or the actual fee, whichever is less</p>
<b>Whom to contact for the actual status of the scheme</b>	<p>Head of Institute/District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO)</p> <p>For more information and application forms see the website of the Ministry of Minority Affairs: <a href="http://minorityaffairs.gov.in">http://minorityaffairs.gov.in</a></p>



## 12. Integrated Child Development Scheme (ICDS)

<b>Theme</b>	Health, Education
<b>Department</b>	Social Welfare department
<b>Target group(s)</b>	Children between 6 months and years, pregnant women, lactating mothers and adolescent girls.
<b>Description of the scheme</b>	<p>A comprehensive, multi-dimensional programme, for holistic development of children from 0-6 year of age, covering pregnant and lactating mothers/adolescent girls by providing them six allied services:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Supplementary nutrition;</li> <li>2. Pre-school education;</li> <li>3. Health check-ups;</li> <li>4. Immunization;</li> <li>5. Referral services; and</li> <li>6. Nutrition and health education to women.</li> </ol>
<b>Objectives</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To improve nutritional and health status of children between 0-6 years old</li> <li>2. To stimulate psychological development of children</li> <li>3. To reduce infant mortality, morbidity, malnutrition and school drop-out</li> <li>4. To achieve effective coordination of policy and implementation among various departments to promote child development</li> <li>5. To enhance the capability of mothers to look after the normal health and nutritional needs of the child, through health and nutrition education.</li> </ol>
<b>Information</b>	There are more than 14,000 Anganwadi centers spread across the Valley through which the ICDS services are provided to the target beneficiaries.



### 13. Social Welfare Centres

<b>Theme</b>	Education
<b>Department</b>	Social Welfare department
<b>Target group(s)</b>	Unemployed and rural women between the age of 18 and 35 years.
<b>Description of the scheme</b>	<p>Social Welfare Centres have been established in 75 villages across the Kashmir division. These centers are shifted to new locations every two years in consultation with public representatives.</p> <p>The aim of the centers is to impart training in different skills to unemployed and less educated rural women. After completing the training course the department awards diplomas to the participants. A stipend of Rs. 100/- per month is also provided for a period of 11 months.</p>
<b>Objective</b>	To impart training to unemployed and less educated rural women to enhance their skills and livelihood.
<b>Eligibility</b>	<p>The applicant shall be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- An unemployed and less educated woman living in a rural area.</li> <li>- Aged between 18 and 35 years.</li> </ul>
<b>Value of the financial assistance</b>	A stipend of Rs. 100/- per month is provided for a period of 11 months.
<b>Whom to contact for the actual status of the scheme</b>	District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO)/Tehsil Social Welfare Officer (TSWO).



## 14. Kishori Shakti Yojana (KSY)

<b>Theme</b>	Education, Health
<b>Department</b>	Social Welfare department
<b>Target group(s)</b>	Adolescent girls between 11 and 18 years old
<b>Description of the scheme</b>	Kishori Shakti Yojana (KSY) seeks to empower adolescent girls to enable them to take charge of their lives. It is a holistic initiative for the development of adolescent girls. It seeks to provide them with an opportunity to realize their full potential. The scheme includes a vocational training course.
<b>Objectives</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. To improve the nutritional, health and development status of adolescent girls</li><li>2. To promote awareness of health, hygiene, nutrition and family care</li><li>3. To link girls to opportunities for learning life skills, going back to school, gain a better understanding of their social environment and to take initiatives to become productive members of the society</li></ol>
<b>Eligibility</b>	Girls in the age group of 11-18 years.
<b>Whom to contact for the actual status of the scheme</b>	District Programme Officer (DPO) ICDS/Child Development Project Officer (CDPO).



## 15. Nutritional Programme for Adolescent Girls (NPAG)

<b>Theme</b>	Health
<b>Department</b>	Social Welfare department
<b>Target group(s)</b>	Undernourished adolescent girls between 11 - 19 years
<b>Description of the scheme</b>	<p>The scheme consists of three components:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 6 kg of free food-grains per month per beneficiary for a period of three months.</li> <li>2. Nutrition and Health Education to the beneficiaries and their families.</li> </ol> <p>Those who show improvement in nutritional status and hence cross the cut off point for weight or cross the eligible group (i.e. crossed 19 years) will no longer receive wheat. Those who in spite of receiving food grains for three consecutive months have not shown improvement in nutritional status will continue to receive free wheat for the next three months.</p>
<b>Objectives</b>	To improve the nutritional status of under-nourished adolescent girls between 11 – 19 years.
<b>Eligibility</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Girls between the age of 11- 19 years.</li> <li>- Girls with a weight of less than 35 kg.</li> </ul>
<b>How to apply for this scheme</b>	Through the existing ICDS infrastructure/Anganwadi center.
<b>Whom to contact for the actual status of the scheme</b>	District Programme Officer (DPO) ICDS/Child Development Project Officer (CDPO).



## 16. SABLA: Rajiv Gandhi Scheme for Empowerment of Adolescent Girls (RGSEAG)

<b>Theme</b>	Education, Health, Nutrition
<b>Department</b>	Social Welfare department
<b>Target group(s)</b>	Adolescent Girls (AGs) between the age of 11 and 18 years in the selected districts where the scheme is implemented, including out-of school girls.
<b>Description of the scheme</b>	<p>Currently, this scheme is only available in the districts of Kupwara, Anantnag, Kathua, Jammu and Leh (Ladakh). The following services are provided under the scheme:</p> <p><b>I. Nutrition component:</b>  Target group:  Girls between 11-14: out of school girls  Girls between 14-18 years: all girls (both school-going and out of school girls)</p> <p>Supplementary nutrition may be provided to AGs by either Take Home Rations (THR) or Hot Cooked Meals as feasible. Each AG will be given at least 600 calories and 18-20 grams of protein and recommended daily intake of micronutrients per day, worth Rs. 5/-per day per beneficiary, for 300 days in a year.</p> <p><b>II. Non-nutrition component</b>  Target group: Out of school girls</p> <p>a) 11-18 years:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Nutrition provision</li> <li>- IFA supplementation</li> <li>- Health check-up and referral services</li> <li>- Nutrition and Health Education (NHE)</li> <li>- Counseling/guidance on family welfare, ARSH, child care practices</li> <li>- Life skills education and accessing public services</li> </ul>



	<p>b) 16-18 years:</p> <p>- Vocational training under National Skill Development Program (NSDP)</p> <p>For school-going girls between 11-18 years old, the Non Nutrition Component services described under a) will be provided twice in a month in school days and four times a month in vacations.</p>
<b>Objectives</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To enable self-development and empowerment of adolescent girls;</li> <li>2. To improve their nutrition and health status;</li> <li>3. To spread awareness among adolescent girls about health, hygiene, nutrition, adolescent Reproductive and Sexual Health (ARSH), and family and health care;</li> <li>4. To upgrade adolescent girls' home-based skills, life skills and vocational skills;</li> <li>5. To mainstream out-of-school AGs into formal/non-formal education; and</li> <li>6. Inform and guide AGs about existing public services, such as PHC, CHC, Post Office, Bank, Police Station, etc.</li> </ol>
<b>Eligibility</b>	Out of school girls and school-going girls between the age of 11-18 years are eligible for different of the above mentioned components of this scheme.
<b>How to apply for this scheme</b>	Through the local Anganwadi Centre (AWC) or ICDS infrastructure.
<b>Whom to contact for the actual status of the scheme</b>	District Programme Officer (DPO) ICDS/Child Development Project Officer (CDPO).



## 17. Residential Homes for Orphans (Bal Ashram and Nari Niketan)

<b>Theme</b>	Child Protection
<b>Department</b>	Social Welfare department
<b>Target group(s)</b>	All children irrespective of the community, class or category subject to the condition that they are orphan, destitute or belong to a family of poor substance.
<b>Description of the scheme</b>	<p>Bal Ashrams are meant to create a child labour free society, where all children receive free, compulsory, quality and meaningful education. Orphans and destitute children are provided free schooling, boarding and lodging, free bedding and clothing, recreational material and medicines.</p> <p>Nari Niketans have been set up to provide shelter and protection to destitute, deprived, socially marginalised girls who have been orphaned. Under this scheme vocational training is being offered.</p> <p>More than 12 orphanages are established in the private sector in Srinagar.</p>
<b>Objectives</b>	Social security and protection of orphans/destitutes.
<b>Eligibility</b>	Destitute/orphan boys and girls having no one to look after in their homes.
<b>How to apply for this scheme</b>	The guardian or the social worker of eligible boys and girls has to apply on prescribed application form to the DSWO along with necessary documents in support of the claim.
<b>Procedure</b>	The DSWO after scrutiny of the application form, subject to availability of vacancy, authorized the superintendent of the Bal Ashram/Nari Niketan to admit the child in the institution.
<b>Whom to contact for the actual status of the scheme</b>	District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO).



**Note:** Save the Children (SC) believes that many features of residential care account for unintended violations of children's rights and that the issue of children living in institutional care needs more focus and prioritisation. At the same time, a parallel concern is that the promotion and development of good community-based childcare alternatives, such as foster and kinship care need full deserving attention. With the full participation and in close collaboration with children, through consultation and decision-making activities, community based childcare is vital to helping children affected by poverty and conflict and children with inadequate parental care.



## 18. Grant of Prosthetic Aid for fitting up/repairing of Artificial Limbs

<b>Theme</b>	Prosthetic Aid
<b>Department</b>	Social Welfare department
<b>Target group(s)</b>	Persons with a disability (e.g. who are blind, deaf, orthopedically or physically handicapped) and whose family income is less than Rs. 400/- per month.
<b>Description of the scheme</b>	Under this scheme the costs specific prosthetic aid for fitting up/repairing of Artificial Limbs will be provided by the Social Welfare department.
<b>Objective</b>	To provide disabled persons with a meager family income with specific prosthetic aid for enabling them to live a comfortable life.
<b>Eligibility</b>	Disabled persons in need of prosthetic aid whose family income is less than Rs. 400/- per month.
<b>How to apply for this scheme</b>	<p>The application form can be obtained from the District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO). The application shall be accompanied by:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A certificate on the prescribed form by the Surgeon/Orthopedic/ENT specialist, countersigned by the Superintendents of the Hospitals/District Medical Officers indicating the type of disability and appropriate prosthetic aid required by the applicant.</li> <li>2. A certificate on the prescribed form from Revenue Officer not below the rank of Tehsildar or an affidavit attested by a Gazetted Officer/1<sup>st</sup> Class Magistrate or a certificate from a Gazetted Officer of Central/State Government or a Member of the Parliament/State Legislature indicating the monthly income of the family from all sources.</li> </ol>



<b>Procedure</b>	On receipt of application duly completed by the applicant with regard to the DSWO disability and type of prosthetic aid required shall consolidate the list and forward to the District Level Sanctioning Committee, comprising of Chief Medical officer as member, DSWO as member Secretary and Deputy Commissioner as Chairman The Committee authorizes the District Social Welfare Officer to purchase these aids/fitments from the approved agencies for onward disbursement among the sanctioned beneficiaries.
<b>Type of the assistance</b>	Wheelchairs, tri-cycles, hearing aids, walking sticks/crutches, artificial limbs.
<b>Whom to contact for the actual status of the scheme</b>	District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) and Deputy Commissioner/ Composite Rehabilitation Center (CRC).



## 19. National Foundation for Communal Harmony (NFCH)

<b>Therne</b>	Child Protection, Education, Financial assistance
<b>Department</b>	Social Welfare department
<b>Target group(s)</b>	Children who are victim of communal, caste, ethnic or terrorist violence
<b>Description of the scheme</b>	<p>The National Foundation for Communal Harmony (NFCH) is an autonomous foundation under the Ministry of Home Affairs. It was registered on the 19th Feb, 1992 under the Societies Registration Act, 1860 with the main objective of providing financial assistant for the physical &amp; psychological rehabilitation of child victims of communal, caste, ethnic &amp; terrorist violence with special reference to their care, education &amp; training, besides promoting communal harmony, fraternity and national integration.</p> <p>Each child whose main bread earner is either killed or permanently incapacitated in such type of violence and whose family income is below the poverty line, is granted an assistance of Rs.800/- per month in class A &amp; B cities and Rs.750/- per month in other places till the child attains the age of 18 years. Also additional financial assistance for training and vocational education is provided under this scheme. In addition, insurance cover is provided to all children who are receiving assistance under this scheme.</p>
<b>Objectives</b>	1. To provide assistance to the children of families affected by communal, caste, ethnic and any other form of violence or clashes with fracture social harmony. The assistance is particularly aimed for their education and/or vocational training.



	2. To assist in the physical and psychological rehabilitation and assimilation into the mainstream of society of the children of families affected by communal, caste, ethnic and any other form of violence or clashes with fracture social harmony.
<b>Eligibility</b>	<p>1. A Child becomes an orphan or destitute when either both the parents or the surviving parent of the main breadwinner is killed or permanently incapacitated because of communal, caste, ethnic or terrorist violence.</p> <p>2. His/her family is below poverty line (BPL).</p> <p>3. He/she is not receiving any assistance on regular basis from any other source (one time financial assistance provided by a State government/Union Territory administration for such victim is not considered another source of assistance for this purpose).</p> <p>4. Assistance is admissible up to the age of 18 years. In exceptional cases, it can be extended up to the age of 21 years.</p>
<b>How to apply for this scheme</b>	Application forms are available with the District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO)/Deputy Commissioner's office free of cost. The application form along with required documents in support of the claim shall be submitted to the DSWO.
<b>Procedure</b>	<p>1. A District Committee under the District Magistrate/Collector/Deputy Commissioner (including Superintendents of Police, DSWO and District Child &amp; Women Development Officer) identifies beneficiaries and scrutinizes their eligibility.</p> <p>2. The District Committee sends its recommendations to the Foundation.</p> <p>3. In case of sanctioning, the District Magistrate/Collector/Deputy Commissioner opens a separate bank account for the beneficiary under the name 'District Committee National Foundation for Communal Harmony' of the particular district. The payment is made to the guardian of the sanctioned student in the form of pays account check/bank draft in</p>



	<p>a modest function.</p> <p>4. The next year's claim of the student is only released after obtaining pass certificate/current study certificate/income certificate of the guardians or the mother.</p>
<b>Value of the financial assistance</b>	<p>1. General education:</p> <p>Children in class A&amp;B cities receive Rs. 800/- per month until they reach the age of 18 years.</p> <p>Children in other places receive Rs. 750/- per month until they reach the age of 18 years.</p> <p>2. Training/vocational education:</p> <p>Rs. 150/- per month per child in addition to assistance for general education.</p> <p>3. Group personal accident insurance for child victims:</p> <p>a. Death: Rs. 25,000/-</p> <p>b. Loss of 2 limbs or one limb and one eye: Rs. 25,000/-</p> <p>c. 100% permanent disablement other than those mentioned above: Rs. 25,000/-</p> <p>d. Reimbursement of medical expenses incurred by a child for treatment in a hospital or nursing home and as an indoor patient for an injury sustained in an accident (based upon medical certificate from the consulting doctor): Rs. 500/-</p>
<b>Whom to contact for the actual status of the scheme</b>	<p>District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO)/Deputy Commissioner's officer/Executive Director Rehabilitation Council for Militancy Victims/National Foundation for Communal Harmony.</p>



## 20. Rehabilitation Council Scheme for Pension for Old-Age Parents, Widows and Orphans of Militancy Affected Persons

<b>Theme</b>	Financial support
<b>Department</b>	Social Welfare department
<b>Target group(s)</b>	Militancy-affected old-age parents, widows, orphans and injured people with a meager source of income.
<b>Description of the scheme</b>	Old-age parents, widows, orphans and injured people who have been affected by the militancy and have a meager source of income, will be provided financial assistance in form of pension of Rs. 750/- per month.
<b>Objective</b>	The objective of the council is to provide financial assistance for the physical, psychological and economical rehabilitation of the victims of militancy in the State, with special focus on widows, orphans, handicapped and the aged persons whose bread winner is killed or incapacitated as a result of militancy
<b>Eligibility</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Widows and grown up daughters of widows affected by militancy</li> <li>- Disabled persons due to militancy</li> <li>- Old-age parent who has lost a primary bread earner due to militancy</li> <li>- Orphans due to militancy</li> <li>- Student belonging to a family whose bread winner has been disabled due to militancy</li> <li>- Student whose family has been forced to migrate out of Kashmir Valley due to disturbed conditions and have been registered as migrants by the Relief Commissioner and whose income from all sources is less than Rs. 36,000/- per annum.</li> </ul>
<b>How to apply for this scheme</b>	The applicant shall complete the devised application form and other required information and send this to the SHO/TSWO/Tehsildar.



<b>Procedure</b>	After submission to the SHO/TSWO/Tehsildar, the application shall be sent to the District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) and to a District Committee for approval. The District Committee is headed by the District Commissioner and consists of the Chief Education Officer (CEO), Chief Medical Officer (CMO), District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) and two non-official members to be nominated by respective Divisional Commissioners. The District Committee will verification of the identity of applicants and prioritize sanctioning of financial assistance.
<b>Value of the financial assistance</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. For widows of civilians rendered disabled or killed in militancy: Rs. 750/- per month per beneficiary.</li> <li>2. For disabled persons the Council organises rehabilitation/medical camps in the State. Travelling expenses for cases which need to be sponsored for specialized treatment, which is not immediately available in the camp or the district in which the camp is located, to institutions outside the State could be reimbursed by the District Committee up to a financial limit of Rs. 1000/-.</li> <li>3. For old-aged parents who have lost a primary bread earner: Rs. 500/- per month.</li> <li>4. Marriage assistance to civilian widows and grown up daughters: Rs. 10,000/- (one time contribution)</li> <li>5. In case the child has been referred to an orphanage/Bal Ashram/foster home by the District Committee financial assistance can be provided to the institution/foster home. The ceiling for such expenses would be limited to Rs. 750/- per month.</li> </ol>



	<p>6. Financial assistance to other cases than the above mentioned who are suffering hardship due to militancy, for example cases requiring medical attention which may need to be referred outside the State, can be provided a maximum of Rs. 5000/- only on a case to case basis.</p> <p>Is the amount required is higher than this then the case may be referred to the Executive Council for final decision on this issue.</p> <p>7. On the analogy of NFCH ASSIST Project, government of Jammu &amp; Kashmir has recently devised a scholarship scheme for the orphans of militants. Under this scheme financial assistance in the form of scholarship (at the rates prescribed by NFCH) is provided to the orphans of militants through DSWO.</p> <p>8. The application forms are obtained from the DSWO and complete case submitted to the DSWO against proper receipt. The DSWO after scrutiny of the application forms recommends the cases to the District Level Sanctioning Committee for accord of approval/sanction. An action plan to this effect is submitted to the Rehabilitation Council in the first week of March for arrangement of funds.</p>
<b>Whom to contact for the actual status of the scheme</b>	Executive Director RMV Srinagar/Jammu, District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) and DDC.



## 21. Financial Assistance to Gad-Hanjis

<b>Theme</b>	Financial support
<b>Department</b>	Social Welfare department
<b>Target group(s)</b> <b>Description of the scheme</b>	Fishermen who are license holders from the Fisheries department Nylon twine is provided to fishermen who are license holders from the Fisheries department and whose annual income does not exceed Rs. 3600/-.
<b>Objective</b> <b>Eligibility</b>	To enhance social security for fishermen with low annual income. The assistance shall be admissible if the following conditions are fulfilled: 1. The applicant is a permanent resident of the State; 2. The applicant is a Gad-Hanji and possesses license from the Fisheries Department for the last 3 years consecutively; 3. The income of the applicant does not exceed Rs. 3,600 per annum; 4. The applicant has not received assistance under this scheme during the last 2 years.
<b>How to apply for this scheme</b>	Applications shall be invited by the District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO) from Gad-Hanjis for grant of financial assistance in the relevant form. The DSWO shall verify the application and prepare the list of deserving cases to be placed before the Committee for consideration.
<b>Procedure</b>	Sanctioning authority is the District Level Committee headed by the DCC with the District Social Welfare Officer as Member Secretary. The Committee shall consider the cases and issue appropriate order within one month. On the basis of approval of the Committee the DSWO shall issue sanction to the grant of financial assistance.
<b>Value of the financial assistance</b>	The financial assistance will be sanctioned on the following rates: 1. License holders having paid fee of Rs. 50/-: Rs. 500/- 2. License holders having paid fee of Rs. 40/-: Rs. 400/- 3. License holders having paid fee of Rs. 30/-: Rs. 300/- 4. License holders having paid fee of Rs. 20/-: Rs. 200/-
<b>Whom to contact for the actual status of the scheme</b>	District Social Welfare Officer (DSWO).