

# TEHATTA SADANANDA MAHAVIDYALAYA

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## Policy for Scholarships and Freeships

Scholarships and freeships play a vital role in making higher education more equitable and accessible for socially weaker students with potentiality to reach the higher strata of education. Scholarships are typically merit-based awards given to students based on their academic achievement, talent, or other criteria such as leadership qualities or extracurricular activities. The scope of scholarships can vary widely, from covering partial tuition fees to full tuition and sometimes even additional expenses like books or related things. Some scholarships are renewable, meaning students can receive them for multiple years if they maintain certain academic or other eligibility criteria.

Freeships, on the other hand, are often need-based financial assistance provided to students who demonstrate financial need but may not necessarily meet the merit-based criteria for scholarships. Freeships can cover tuition fees, and sometimes they may also cover additional expenses. Unlike scholarships, freeships are usually awarded directly by colleges, and the eligibility criteria and availability may vary depending on institutional policies and available funding.

Each college or university may have its own policies regarding scholarships and freeships. Some institutions may offer a wide range of scholarships and freeships, while others may have limited options.

## Objective

The prime objective of the scholarship / freeship policy is basically to promote academic excellence, maintain perseverance and encourage tenacity with talent by providing financial assistance to students belonging to economically weaker section but having desire and aptitude to reach the higher degree of education.

#### Procedure

To avail the benefits of the scholarships/ freeships it is mandatory for the students to register through the online portal to upload the relevant documents. Students must login at respective portals and see the eligibility criteria and documents essential for the scholarship or freeship. The notice regarding filling up of form for particular scholarship or freeship get displayed on notice board as well as on website. Students should fill the online form from above mentioned website and take print out of the form.

Details of Scholarship				
Sl.No	Name of the Scholarship s	Benificieries	Offering Organization	Portal Link
1	Oasis	SC/ST and OBC groups	West Bengal's government's backward-class welfare department.	https://oasis.gov.in/
2	Aikyashree		Government Of West Bengal	https://wbmdfcscholarship.in
3	TSP		West Bengal Minorities Development and Finance Corporation	https://wbmdfcscholarship.in
4	Swami Vivekananda Merit cum Means Scholarship (SVMCM)	For Minorities		https://wbmdfcscholarship.in /
5	WB Post Matric Scholarship.		Government Of West Bengal	https://wbmdfcscholarship.in
6	Swami Vivekananda Merit cum Means Scholarship (SVMCM)	For General Students		https://svmcm.wbhed.gov.in/
7	Kanyashree Prakalpa	Only for Girl Students	Government Of West Bengal	https://wbkanyashree.gov.in/ kp_4.0/index.php
8	K1			https://wbkanyashree.gov.in/kp_4.0/index.php
9	K2			https://wbkanyashree.gov.in/kp_4.0/index.php
10	Nabanna	Needy Students	Chief Minister's Relief Fund	http://wbcmo.gov.in/
11	Student Aid Fund	Needy Students	College Fund	

- Details of Scholarships offered by the institution
- 1. OASIS (Online Analytical Scholarship Information System)



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- It is an initiative by the Backward Classes Welfare Department, Government of West Bengal. The OASIS scholarship program primarily targets students belonging to socially and economically disadvantaged backgrounds, including Scheduled Castes (SC), Scheduled Tribes (ST), and Other Backward Classes (OBC). The objective is to enable these students to pursue higher education without financial constraints.
- The OASIS portal usually offers multiple scholarship schemes catering to different levels of education, such as pre-matric, post-matric, and merit-cum-means scholarships.
- The application process for OASIS scholarships is typically conducted online through the OASIS portal. Students are required to register on the portal, fill out the application form, and submit the necessary documents electronically.
- In many cases, OASIS scholarships are renewable, meaning students must reapply each year and continue to meet the eligibility criteria to receive continued funding.

#### 2. Aikyashree scholarship

- It is another significant scholarship program in India, specifically in the state of West Bengal. It is offered by the Department of Higher Education, Science and Technology and Biotechnology, Government of West Bengal. The Aikyashree scholarship scheme aims to provide financial assistance to economically disadvantaged students to enable them to pursue higher education without financial constraints.
- The Aikyashree scholarship primarily targets students belonging to economically weaker sections of society, including Scheduled Castes (SC), Scheduled Tribes (ST), Other Backward Classes (OBC), and minority communities.
- Similar to the OASIS scholarship, the Aikyashree scholarship program offers multiple scholarship schemes catering to different levels of education, such as pre-matric, post-matric, and merit-cum-means scholarships.
- The Aikyashree scholarship scheme has significantly contributed to promoting access to higher education among economically disadvantaged students in West Bengal.

## 3. Top Class Education Scheme for SC Students" (TSP)

- The Scheme aims at recognizing and promoting quality education amongst students belonging to SCs, by providing full financial support. The Scheme will cover SC students for pursuing studies beyond 12th class.
- The Scheme will operate in all the institutions notified by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment for FY 2021-22 to 2025-26.
- The scholarship, once awarded, will continue till the completion of the course, subject to satisfactory performance of the student.

## 4. The Swami Vivekananda Merit cum Means Scholarship (SVMCM)

• It is a scholarship program in the Indian state of West Bengal, named after the revered Indian philosopher and spiritual leader Swami Vivekananda. This scholarship is administered by the Department of Higher Education, Science and Technology and Biotechnology, Government of West Bengal. It is aimed at providing financial assistance to meritorious students from economically disadvantaged backgrounds to pursue higher education.

 The scheme benefits students studying in regular mode of Class XI and XII, and at under Graduate level in Science/Arts/Commerce, Engineering, Medical and Technical / Professional courses. Post Graduate level students pursuing Science/Arts/Commerce & Technical/Management. These scholarships will be sanctioned to deserving students on merit-cum-means criteria.

#### 5. West Bengal Post-Matric Scholarship

- It is a scholarship program offered by the Government of West Bengal, specifically aimed at providing financial assistance to students pursuing post-matriculation studies. This scholarship is designed to support students from economically weaker sections of society, enabling them to continue their education without financial constraints.
- Eligibility for the scholarship typically depends on factors such as the applicant's family income, academic performance, and the specific criteria set by the Government of West Bengal. Students belonging to Scheduled Castes (SC), Scheduled Tribes (ST), Other Backward Classes (OBC), and minority communities are often given priority.

#### 6. Kanyashree Prakalpa

- It is a flagship scheme of the Government of West Bengal, India, aimed at improving the lives of girls and young women in the state. Launched in 2013, the scheme primarily targets girls from economically disadvantaged families.
- By promoting education and financial independence, the scheme aims to reduce the incidence of child marriage.
- It aims in empowering girls through various means, including education, skill development, and social support.
- Under the Kanyashree Prakalpa scheme, eligible girls receive annual scholarships, conditional cash transfers, and one-time grants at certain life stages. For instance, girls enrolled in school receive an annual scholarship, while those pursuing higher education receive a one-time grant upon reaching 18 years of age.

## 7. The "K1 and K2 scholarship"

- It is likely refers to the initial phase of the Kanyashree Prakalpa scheme in West Bengal, India.
- Under the Kanyashree Prakalpa scheme, there are primarily two types of scholarships:
- K1 scholarship is awarded to unmarried girls aged 13 to 18 years who are enrolled in secondary or higher secondary education (classes 8 to 12). The K1 scholarship aims to encourage girls to continue their education by providing financial assistance. Eligible girls receive an annual scholarship amount.
- K2 scholarship is awarded to girls who have turned 18 years old and have successfully continued their education. It is a one-time grant provided to support their higher education or vocational training.

### 8. Nabanna Scholarship

The Nabanna Scholarship is a scheme offered by the Government of West Bengal in India. It's aimed at providing financial assistance to meritorious students belonging to economically weaker sections of the society, enabling them to pursue higher education.

The scholarship covers various academic disciplines ranging from undergraduate to postgraduate courses, as well as doctoral studies.

#### 9. Student Aid Fund

Student Aid Funds is basically provided by colleges itself and are typically financial resources allocated to assist students in meeting their educational expenses. These funds might come from various sources, including government grants, endowments, alumni donations, and institutional budgets.

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