

GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
NOTIFICATION

Dated Shillong the 25th August, 2025

No. EDN.156/2025/4: - Whereas the State Government is committed to expanding access to higher education and fostering academic excellence among the youth, and in view of the financial challenges faced by students in pursuing quality education, it has been considered necessary to introduce a comprehensive scholarship scheme.

Now, therefore, the Government of Meghalaya hereby notifies the *Chief Minister's Scholarship Scheme (CMSS), 2025*, for institutionalising and regulating the provision of financial assistance to students domiciled in Meghalaya, as under:

1. Short Title and Commencement:

- (a) This Scheme shall be called the 'Chief Minister's Scholarship Scheme (CMSS), 2025'.
- (b) It shall come into force with effect from the Academic Year 2025-26.

2. Definitions — In this Scheme, unless the context otherwise requires,

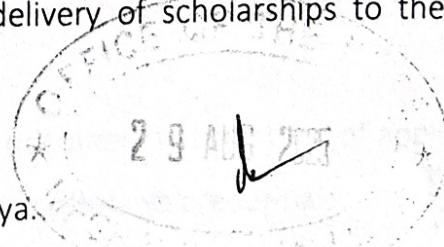
- (i) "Directorate" means the Directorate of Higher and Technical Education, Government of Meghalaya.
- (ii) "Fund" refers to the financial resources allocated under this Scheme.
- (iii) "Recognized Institution" refers to an institution recognized by the competent authority such as UGC, AICTE, NCVT, State/Central Governments, or other approved bodies as applicable.
- (iv) "Scheme" means the Chief Minister's Scholarship Scheme (CMSS), 2025.
- (v) "Student" means a student who is a domicile of Meghalaya and enrolled in post-matriculation level courses (from Class XI to Ph.D.) in recognized institutions within or outside the State.

3. Objectives of the Scheme:

- (a) To empower eligible students of Meghalaya to undertake quality education from post-matriculation to doctorate level by providing financial assistance.
- (b) To ensure timely, direct, and error-free delivery of scholarships to the targeted beneficiaries.

4. Eligibility Criteria:

- (a) The student must be a domicile of Meghalaya.
- (b) The student must have a valid bank account, mobile number, and email ID.



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(c) The scholarship is only for students pursuing full-time regular courses in recognized institutions including:

- i) Government Institutes/Colleges/Universities
- ii) Institutions of National Importance
- iii) Central/State Universities; Autonomous colleges recognized by UGC; Institutions recognized under Section 2(f) and/or 12(b) of the UGC Act
- iv) Deemed Universities
- v) Private Universities/Institutions affiliated to Central/State Universities
- vi) Government/Government Aided/Private schools (for Class XI and XII)
- vii) State/UT recognized diploma-granting institutions
- viii) NCVT-affiliated vocational training institutes
- ix) Institutions recognized by regulatory bodies like MCI, AICTE, etc.

(d) Students pursuing part-time or correspondence courses are not eligible.

(e) The student may avail this scheme in addition to other scholarships applied through the National Scholarship Portal or other like-wise portals.

5. Income Criteria:

There shall be no income ceiling for applicants under the scheme.

6. Value of Scholarship:

Each eligible student shall be awarded a fixed scholarship of ₹6,000/- (Rupees six thousand only) per annum. The amount may be revised from time to time through a notification issued by the Government, and such revision may either prescribe a uniform rate across all courses or differential amount based on the nature and level of the course pursued.

7. Mode of Application:

(a) Fresh Applications: Eligible students shall submit their applications online through the Meghalaya One Portal at <https://meghalayaone.gov.in> by following the prescribed procedure.

(b) Renewal Applications: Students seeking renewal of the scholarship shall apply through the same portal by following the steps specified for renewal of scholarship.

8. Documents Required:

Applicants are required to upload the following documents at the time of application:

(a) Any one of the following identity documents to establish credentials:

- MHIS Card of the parents
- MGNREGS Job Card of the parents

- EPIC (Voter ID) of the applicant or parents
- PDS (Ration) Card

Note: Submission of more than one document is encouraged, as it will facilitate verification of credentials.

- (b) Mark sheet of the previous academic year
- (c) Recent passport-size photograph
- (d) Bonafide Certificate issued by the Head of the Institution.

9. Cancellation of Scholarship:

The Directorate reserves the right to cancel the scholarship under the following circumstances:

- (a) Involvement of the student in misconduct or disciplinary proceedings, as reported by the concerned institution.
- (b) Academic performance falling below 35% marks in the preceding academic year.
- (c) If the student is found to be ineligible at any stage, whether during verification or thereafter. In such cases, the student shall be liable to refund the entire scholarship amount received.

10. Financial Support and Disbursement:

The scholarship amount shall be disbursed directly into the beneficiary's bank account, subject to availability of funds.

11. Exception:

Notwithstanding anything contained in this Scheme, the State Government may, in exceptional circumstances, permit deviations from the prescribed guidelines with the prior approval of the Chief Minister.

12. Financial Assistance Not a Matter of Right:

The grant of financial assistance under this Scheme shall not be construed as a matter of right. Sanction of the scholarship shall be subject to the fulfilment of eligibility criteria, availability of funds, and any other conditions or reasons as may be specified by the Directorate.

Sd/-

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