



मध्य प्रदेश शासन

अनुसूचित जाति, जनजाति के अभ्यर्थियों हेतु  
विदेशों में उच्च शिक्षा संबंधी योजना,  
आवेदन-पत्र तथा अन्य प्रपत्र

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MADHYA PRADESH OVERSEAS SCHOLARSHIP FOR  
SCHEDULED CASTES/SCHEDULED TRIBES  
APPLICATION FORM & OTHER ANNEXURES  
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# MADHYA PRADESH OVERSEAS SCHOLARSHIP FOR SCHEDULED CASTE / SCHEDULED TRIBE

## The scheme

The scheme provides Financial Assistance to selected Scheduled Caste/ Scheduled Tribe students for pursuing higher studies abroad in specified fields of Bachelor's level, Master level courses, Ph.D and Post-Doctoral research programmes. Ten awards per year are available under the scheme for Scheduled Tribes.

## (1) ELIGIBILITY CONDITION

- (a) For Post Doctoral: - IInd Class with 50% marks in relevant master's degree and Ph.D. with experience in the concerned field.
- (b) For Ph.D :- IInd Class with 50% marks in relevant master's degree and 2 years Teaching /Research/Professional experience/M.Phil degree in the concerned field.
- (c) For Masters' degree: - IInd Class with 55% marks in relevant Bachelor's degree.
- (d) For Bachelors Degree:- IInd Class with 55% marks in 10+2 Higher Secondary level Certificate Examination.

## II Age:

Below 35 years as on first day of January of the year in which application is submitted relax-able by committee up to 10 years in special cases.

## III. INCOME CEILING

Total income from all sources of the employed candidate or his/her parents/guardians should not exceed Rs. 5.00 lakh per year. (Excluding such allowances as are not treated as part of total income for the purpose of income-tax) as certified by the employer. A copy of latest income-tax assessment be enclosed with application.

## VI. One Child In A Family And One Time Award

Not more than one child of the same parents / guardians will be eligible and to this effect a self certification will be required from the candidate. The awardee can not be considered for the award for second or subsequent times as the individual can be awardees for once.

(5) OTHER MANDATORY CONDITIONS

- I. Candidates who are in employment must forward their applications through their employer along with a NOC by the employer to the Principal Secretary Scheduled Caste/ Scheduled Tribe welfare Deptt. Mantralaya Govt. of M.P. Bhopal to reach him on or before the last date of receipt of applications as specified in the advertisement of the scheme.
- II. The finally selected candidates are required to obtain admission and join an accredited university institution abroad within three years from the date of communication of selection. On expiry of this specified period of time the award will automatically get cancelled and come to an end. No request for extension of time for availing the award is permissible under the Scheme. The candidates are required to seek admission and join accredited Universities institutions only.
- III. The selected candidate is required to execute a bond on a non-judicial stamp paper before a notary-public with two sureties who will execute surety bonds separately for the actual amount to be spent by Government of M.P. on the candidate or Rs.50000/- whichever is more. Each of the surety bonds shall specify and cover for the estimated expenditure in Indian Rupees that would be incurred as travels expenses, Tuition fees, maintenance and contingency allowances, Stipends, Scholarship and other miscellaneous expenses on the awardee during the entire period of study abroad and shall become payable by the sureties jointly or/and severally in case the awardee is declared a defaulter by the Govt. of M.P. under the provisions of the Scheme. The language of bond as decided by the Govt. of M.P. will be acceptable to the candidate.
- IV. The selected candidate will also be required to execute a bond with the Govt. of M.P. that the extension of stay abroad beyond completion of the course or duration of the scholarship under the scheme whichever is earlier will not be permissible. The candidate/awardee shall not seek any extension of stay abroad beyond the duration for which the scholarship is awarded. The language of the bond as decided by Govt. of M.P. will be acceptable to candidate.
- V. The candidate shall not change the Course of study or research for which scholarship has been sanctioned.
- VI. The candidate will have to execute another bond with Govt. of M.P. that he/she will sign a Record Release Consent Form in the manner prescribed by Government of India and it will be acceptable to the candidate.
- VII. The selected candidates can through pursue their respective studies in an accredited institution in a country of their choice with which India has diplomatic relations, but this will be subject to prior written approval of the Govt. of M.P. whose decision will be final and not challengeable. The candidates are required to make their own efforts in seeking admission in accredited universities/institutions in programme/fields specified in the scheme.

- VIII Married candidates in principle are not allowed to take their spouse and children with them or join them subsequently during period of study. Nevertheless under emergency conditions like serious health grounds of the awardee the condition may be relaxed by Govt. of M.P. for which specific and preferably prior permission of Govt. of M.P. is required. Govt. of M.P. will not fix any expenses of spouse and children who accompany the awardee.
- IX. All administrative matters like study leave, salary etc. will be directly sorted out by the candidate with his/her employer and as per rules of the serving organization. Govt. of M.P. will not take any responsibility or render assistance in this regard.
- X In case of emergencies at home where the awardee is forced to return to India for sometime to attend to the adverse situation the awardee is permitted to return to India for the specific purpose after having informed the educational institution where one is pursuing studies about it. The awardee will however be required to bear to and fro journey expenses for the visit and shall also not be entitled to receive maintenance allowance under the scheme for the period of being away from the place of his/her educational institution abroad and the maintenance allowance shall be resumed only from the date of his/her resuming same course at the same institution. The awardee after having dealt with the emergencies at home is required to return to the place of his/her educational institution as early as possible failing which he/she shall be liable to be declared as a defaulter and the recovery proceeding will be initiated against him/her.
- XI All candidates after having availed of the award under the Scheme are required to return to India and under no circumstance they will be issued "No Obligation to Return to India Certificate" by any concerned authority in Govt. of Madhya Pradesh and Govt. of India.
- XII The awardee who was an employee of State or Central Govt. a State or Central Public Sector Undertaking prior to availing the award shall be required to serve such Government/Public sector undertaking for five years on return to India. However, the Govt. of M.P. may in special circumstances for reasons to be recorded in writing waive this condition subject to refund of entire award amount.
- XIII. It will be for the candidate to obtain the appropriate visa for a country wherein one intends to study further under award from the scheme and the visa issuing authorities may kindly see that only such type of visa be issued which only permits the candidate to pursue specified course abroad and thereafter the candidate returns to India. Govt. of M.P. will render no assistance to a candidate for obtaining visa.
- XIV. Selected candidates are required to furnish all such documents and enter into such agreements before their departure as shall be decided by the Govt. of M.P. from time to time.

- XV. In case the awardee, has received overpayment he/she is liable to refund the same to Govt. of M.P. and his/her Employer (if any) is authorised to re-cover the excess amount from his/her dues on request from Govt. of M.P. and refund the same to Govt. of M.P..
- XVI. The decisions of Govt. of M.P. will be final in all such issues, as may come up during course of time.
- XVII. The Govt. of M.P. will obtain six monthly progress reports from the university/institution where the awardee is pursuing his/her studies for which the award was given under the Scheme. The institution will inform to Govt. of M.P. such serious adverse developments in case of the awardee which requires decision towards further continuation of the award or otherwise. The institution will however keep on advising such awardees to put serious efforts in improving their achievements who are not seen to be up to the mark as reflected in their said six monthly progress report and they may also be reminded that financial assistance under the scheme is not extendable beyond the stipulated period under the scheme.
- XVIII. There may arise situations when an awardee pursuing Ph.D. or Post-Doctoral research in a university/institution where one is initially registered with find a serious situation where his/her guide has left and there are no immediate replacements there of or the university/institutions has discontinued the research support facilities in the area where the awardee was pursuing Ph.D./Post-Doctoral Research, the candidate will be allowed to change the university/institutions with the consent of Govt. of M.P. who are satisfied about such a need subject how ever to the condition that the credits earned by the awardees in the initial university/institution are accepted for transfer by the second university/institution and that the total period of award will remain unchanged even on such a transfer/change, which will be permitted only once during the award.
- XIX. The prospective awardee is selected by the Selection Committee constituted by Govt. of M.P. for a particulars, subject for pursuing Master's programme or Ph.D. or Post-Doctoral Research and candidate is given two year time from the date of communication about his/her selection for the award. The candidate before leaving for abroad to pursue the course for which one was selected under the Scheme is required to give a declaration to Govt. of M.P. that he/she has not already acquired the qualification in the mean while or has not submitted the final thesis leading to active possibility of acquiring the qualification from the Indian University. The Govt. of M.P. on receiving such a declaration from the candidate will appropriately decide as to whether candidate can be awarded under the scheme or otherwise and departure of the candidate for abroad will depend on the decision.
- XX. In case the awardee is evaluated by his/her university/educational institution for awarding the degree which is of a lower rating than the one for which the awardee has pursued studies (like award of M.Phil instead of Ph.D.) the Govt. of M.P. may go into the circumstance of such a

eventuality and decide that whether this was because of academic incompetence of the awardee or there were other adverse circumstance for the awardee like frequent change of course supervisors, no supervisor for some period, mental trauma for the awardee if so supported by medical evidence. After this alone the Govt. of M.P. may decide as to whether the awardee be declared defaulter or not. The Govt. of M.P. in such cases will provide the return air passage to India by shortest route and economy class and in case the awardee has been declared defaulter he/she will be liable for recoveries of entire amount with stipulated interest thereon.

XXI. When the awardee overstay abroad for more than one month after successful completion of the course and then on his/her own returns to India at own cost he/she will not be entitled to refund of return passage.

XXII. The Govt. of Madhya Pradesh if necessary, in consultation with other departments/Agencies will take decision on such issues concerning awardees arising out of such situations and circumstances which are of unforeseeable nature and thus not covered under this written scheme and the decisions of the Govt. of M.P. will be final and binding on the awardees.

(6) FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

The rate of financial assistance given below are as per Govt. of India norms of National Overseas Scholarship for Scheduled Caste/ Scheduled Tribe candidates and will be revised accordingly from time to time.

I. Value of Maintenance Allowance

The annual maintenance Allowance of US Dollars 7,700/- has been prescribed for all levels of courses covered under the scheme. The annual maintenance allowance for candidates in United Kingdom will be pound sterling 5,000/- for all level of courses covered under the scheme.

II. ✓ Earnings from Research/Teaching Assistantship

The awardee are permitted to supplement their prescribed allowances by undertaking Research / Teaching Assistance ship up to US Dollars 2,400/- per annum and for awardees in United Kingdom. Pound Sterling 1,560/- per annum and beyond these prescribed ceilings, their maintenance allowance under the scheme will be correspondingly, reduced.

III. Contingency Allowance

Contingency Allowance for books essential apparatus/study tour/typing and binding of thesis etc. will be US Dollars 500/-per annum and for candidates in United Kingdom, it will be pound sterling 325/- per annum.

IV. Poll Tax

Actual will be paid, wherever applicable

V. **Visa Fees**

Actual visa fees in Indian Rupees will be paid.

VI. **Equipment Allowance and Incidental Journey Expenses**

Equipment Allowance of Rupees 1,100/- and incidental journey expenses up to US Dollars 15/- or its equivalent in Indian Rupees are permissible.

VII. **Fees And Medical Insurance Premium**

Actuals as charged

VIII. **Air Passage**

Air passage from India to the nearest place to the educational institution and back to India by economy class and shortest route will be provided.

IX. **Local Travel**

Second or local class railway fare from the port of disembarkation to the place of study and back. In case of far flung places not connected by rail, bus fair(s) from the place of residence to the nearest railway station, actual charge of crossing by ferry, air fair to the nearest rail-cum-air station and/or II class railway fare by shortest route to the port of embarkation and back will be permissible.

- X For attending interviews by the candidates at the place decided by the Govt. of M.P. the second class fair/ordinary class bus fare from the city of their place of residence to the city in which the interviews for selection have been decided by the Govt. of M.P. will be permissible.

The mode of disbursement of above listed financial assistance will be decided by the Govt. of M.P..

(7) **DURATION OF AWARD WITH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

The prescribed financial assistance is provided up to completion of the course/research of the following period, whichever is earlier:-

- (a) For Post Doctoral Research – 1½ years (One and a half year)
- (b) Ph.D -4 years (Fours years)
- (c) Master Degree – 2 years (Two years)

The extension of stay beyond prescribed period of levels of courses as mentioned above, may be considered without financial assistance of any kind except the air passage to return to India. If any only if recommendation of the competent concerned authority in the educational institution university (as well as the Indian mission abroad) is received certifying that such an overstay for a specified period, is absolutely essential for facilitating the candidate to complete the course. The final decision in this regard will, however, rest with the Govt. of M.P. alone.

The jurisdiction of the scheme is up to providing prescribed financial support to the selected candidates for pursuing higher education in the specified subjects. The scheme does not cover employment aspect of the awardee and also does not provide for any kind of assistance to the awardee in seeking employment anywhere, after his/her having availed of the award.

(8) DEFAULT UNDER THE SCHEME

In case a candidate pursuing studies abroad violates any of the terms and conditions of the bonds executed by him/her and that the educational institution / university intimates (the Govt. of M.P.) about his/her adverse reports on studies and/or that the candidate leaves for any other country or absconds or joins any other university or courses/programme or/and return to India in case of emergency without intimating (the Govt. of M.P.), he/she will be declared defaulter and will become liable for refund of entire amount spent on him/her along with the interest which will be 12% per annum and in case an awardee fails to repay the amount within six months from the date on which a demand for such refund is made penal interest at the rate which is 2.5% higher than the above normal rate of interest on the outstanding amount would be charged. If the awardee fails to repay such amount along with the interest thereon in the manner decided by the Govt. of M.P., his/her sureties who have executed bonds, will be liable to pay the entire amount failing which the District Collector of the concerned district will realize the amount as arrears of land revenue.

(9) SELECTION PROCEDURE

The scheme will be advertised in the news papers giving summarized information about the scheme. The candidate shall after assessing their eligibility and suitability, as per conditions of the scheme, apply to Principal Secretary, Scheduled Caste/ Scheduled Tribe welfare department Govt. of M.P. Vallabh Bhawan, Bhopal (Employed candidates through proper channel). In the prescribed application form which will form a part of the advertisement. The last date of receiving application will also be mentioned in the advertisement. Thereafter, all applications received up to the last date of receiving application, as notified in the advertisement will be put before the screening committee. The candidate short listed by the screening committee will be required to present themselves for personal interview before the Selection Committee. The merit list prepared, on the basis of assessment of individual candidates, by the Selection Committee will finally and decisively complete the selection procedure to decide the merit. In case of tie up of two or more candidates, the one who is eldest in age (as per date of birth) will be placed above the others as per respective dates of birth as recorded in secondary school certificate.

The Constitution of Screening and selection committee will be decided by Department of Scheduled Caste/ Scheduled Tribe welfare of Govt. of M.P.



(10) FURNISHING OF FALSE INFORMATION

If any candidate has furnished any false information / document and is established as false, he/she will be debarred from the award and if he/she has availed of it or is availing, an action will be initiated for recovery of the amount spent with 15% compound interest thereon. Such candidate will also be black listed for future and the employed candidate will also have to face departmental action for such act, for which the Govt. of M.P. will take up the matter with the respective employers. The respective employers are, therefore, also requested to carefully go through contents of applications of their employers before forwarding the same to this department. The employer are also free to insist on candidates employer be them to execute such Bonds with them as they deem fit and necessary and in accordance with their rules and regulations in such cases.

(11) LITIGATIONS

Any litigation on matters arising out of this scheme will be subject to sole jurisdiction of the courts situated in Bhopal.