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പട്ടികജാതി/പട്ടികവർഗ്ഗത്തിൽപ്പെട്ട യുവജനങ്ങളുടെ തൊഴിലില്ലായ്മ

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ശ്രീ. പി. ഉണ്ണി		ശ്രീ. എ. കെ. ബാലൻ (പട്ടികജാതി പട്ടികവർഗ്ഗ പിന്നാക്ക സമുദായക്ഷേമവും നിയമവും സാംസ്കാരികവും പാർലമെന്ററികാര്യവും വകുപ്പു മന്ത്രി)	
(എ)	പട്ടികജാതി/പട്ടികവർഗ്ഗത്തിൽപ്പെട്ട യുവജനങ്ങളുടെ തൊഴിലില്ലായ്മ സംബന്ധിച്ച് സർക്കാർ എന്തെങ്കിലും പഠനം നടത്തിയിട്ടുണ്ടോ; എങ്കിൽ വിശദാംശം ലഭ്യമാക്കാമോ;	(എ)	പട്ടികജാതി വികസന വകുപ്പും, തദ്ദേശ സ്വയംഭരണ വകുപ്പും ചേർന്ന് നടത്തിയ പഠനത്തിന്റെ അടിസ്ഥാനത്തിൽ 2013 ൽ പ്രസിദ്ധീകരിച്ച Scheduled Caste Habitat and Families in Kerala എന്ന റിപ്പോർട്ടിൽ പട്ടികജാതിക്കാരുടെ തൊഴിൽ ലഭ്യതയെ സംബന്ധിച്ച് വിശദീകരിക്കുന്നുണ്ട്. അതിന്റെ പ്രസക്തഭാഗത്തിന്റെ പകർപ്പ് അനുബന്ധം I ആയി ചേർക്കുന്നു. പട്ടികവർഗ്ഗത്തിൽപ്പെട്ട +2, അതിനു മുകളിൽ യോഗ്യതയുള്ള 11,474 പേർ തൊഴിൽരഹിതരായി ഉണ്ടെന്ന് പട്ടികവർഗ്ഗ വികസന വകുപ്പ് സർവ്വേയിലൂടെ കണ്ടെത്തിയിട്ടുണ്ട്. ഇതിൽ +2 മുതൽ പി.ജി വരെ യോഗ്യതയുള്ളവർ 9,357 പേരും പ്രൊഫഷണൽ യോഗ്യത നേടിയവർ (ടി.ടി.സി, ബി.എഡ്, സെറ്റ്, നെറ്റ്, മെഡിക്കൽ എഞ്ചിനീയറിംഗ്, നഴ്സിംഗ്) 1,334 പേരും സാങ്കേതിക യോഗ്യതയുള്ളവർ 670 പേരും മറ്റ് യോഗ്യതയുള്ളവർ 113 പേരുമാണുള്ളത്.
(ബി)	പട്ടികജാതി/പട്ടികവർഗ്ഗ വിദ്യാർത്ഥികൾക്ക് വിദേശപഠനം സാധ്യമാക്കുന്നതിനായി എന്തെല്ലാം ധനസഹായപദ്ധതികളാണ് സർക്കാർ നടപ്പിലാക്കി വരുന്നത്; അതിന്റെ മാർഗ്ഗനിർദ്ദേശങ്ങൾ വ്യക്തമാക്കാമോ?	(ബി)	04/10/2017 ലെ സ.ഉ. (എം.എസ്) നം.81/2017/പജപവവിവ ഉത്തരവ് പ്രകാരം പട്ടികജാതി/പട്ടികവർഗ്ഗ വിഭാഗത്തിൽപ്പെട്ട കുട്ടികൾക്ക് വിദേശസർവ്വകലാശാലകളിൽ പഠിക്കുന്നതിന് വിദ്യാഭ്യാസാനുകൂല്യം അനുവദിക്കുന്നതിനുള്ള മാനദണ്ഡം നിശ്ചയിച്ചുത്തരവായിട്ടുണ്ട്. ആയതിന്റെ പകർപ്പ് അനുബന്ധം II ആയി ചേർക്കുന്നു.


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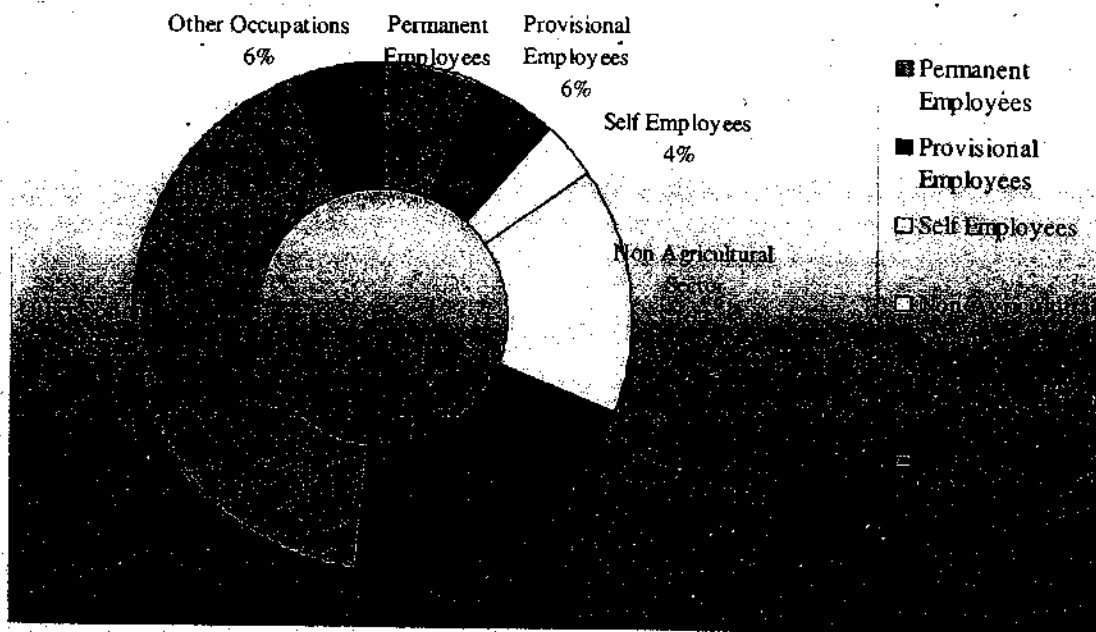
6 EMPLOYMENT

The Scheduled Castes population in the age group 15-59 are 1636211. Of them, 831629 persons (50.82 per cent) are engaged in various occupations. The workers consists of 575118 males and 256511 females registering the proportion of male and female as 69:31. About 6.08 per cent of the workers of Scheduled Caste communities are engaged in permanent employment. The provisional employment and self employment are to the tune of 5.71 per cent and 3.56 per cent respectively. The workers in agricultural and allied sectors constitute 20.71 per cent of total workers. Table 6.1 and Figure 6.1 provide the information on the distribution of workers in the age group 15-59.

Table 6.1
Distribution of Workers in the Age Group 15-59

Sl.No.	Category	Workers			% to Total Workers
		Male	Female	Total	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
(1)	Permanent Employees	31243	19258	50501	6.08
(2)	Provisional Employees	22219	25253	47472	5.71
(3)	Self Employees	19433	10162	29595	3.56
(4)	Laboures				
	(i) Non Agricultural Sector	92494	37453	129947	15.63
	(ii) Agriculture and Allied Sector	107528	64683	172211	20.71
	(iii) Other Sectors	258538	92896	351434	42.26
	Sub Total	458560	195032	653592	-
(5)	Other Occupations	43663	6806	50469	6.05
	Total	575118	256511	831629	100

Fig 6.1



Among the predominant communities of Scheduled Castes, Pulayan has a fair distribution of workers. Among Pulayan community about 2,91,201 persons in the age group of 15-59, against a total number of 5,85,214 are employed, registering their employment status as 49.76 per cent. The employment status of Mannan, Kuravan and Paraiyan is also fairly good compared to State average. Though, not so predominant, the ratio of employment among Thandan, Vettuvan etc is lower than the State average. Appendix 6.1 reveal the community wise status of workers among Scheduled Castes. Majority of the workers are in the age group of 30-59 years (78.39 per cent). It has been estimated that 381983 persons (45.94 per cent) of the employed are in the age group of 30-44 years. They include 259860 males and 122123 females. The male and female ratio in this category is 68:32. The workers in the age group of 45-59 are 270076, consisting of 177106 males and 92970 females registering the male and female proportion as 66:34. This analysis reveals that in the upper strata of age group the proportion of female workers is higher than the male workers. The details on the age wise classification of workers are given in Table 6.2

Table 6.2
Age wise Classification of Workers (15-59)

Sl.No	Classification of Age	Workers			% to Total Workers
		Male	Female	Total	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
(1)	15-21 Years	19007	5636	24643	2.97
(2)	22-24 "	34339	9931	44270	5.33
(3)	25-29 "	84806	25851	110657	13.31
(4)	30-44 "	259860	122123	381983	45.94
(5)	45-59 "	177106	92970	270076	32.45
Total :		575118	256511	831629	100

Majority of the workers (38.68 per cent) are educated up to secondary level. 7.85 per cent of the workers are illiterates. The educational status of workers in the age group 15-59 is given in Table 6.3

Table 6.3
Educational Status of Workers (15-59 years)

Sl.No.	Educational Status	15-59 Years		Percentage	
		Population	Workers	To Workers	To Population
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
(1)	Illiterates	107545	65273	7.85	60.69
(2)	Literates/ Neo Literates	12688	9440	1.13	74.40
(3)	Primary Level	385431	252022	30.30	65.39
(4)	Secondary Level	614614	321706	38.68	52.34
(5)	SSLC (Pass)	289978	117361	14.11	40.47
(6)	PDC/Plus 2 (Pass)	149978	35101	4.22	23.40
(7)	Graduates	47842	17436	2.10	36.44
(8)	Post Graduates	8665	3934	0.47	45.42
(9)	B Tech	1100	593	0.07	54.36
(10)	Engineering (Certificate/Diploma)	2336	1094	0.13	46.79
(11)	Medical (Degree)	283	202	0.02	71.38

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
(12)	Other Professional Degree	: 3691	1811	0.22	49.05
(13)	Other Professional Courses (Certificate/Diploma)	: 12060	5651	0.70	46.84
Total		: 1636211	831629	100	50.82

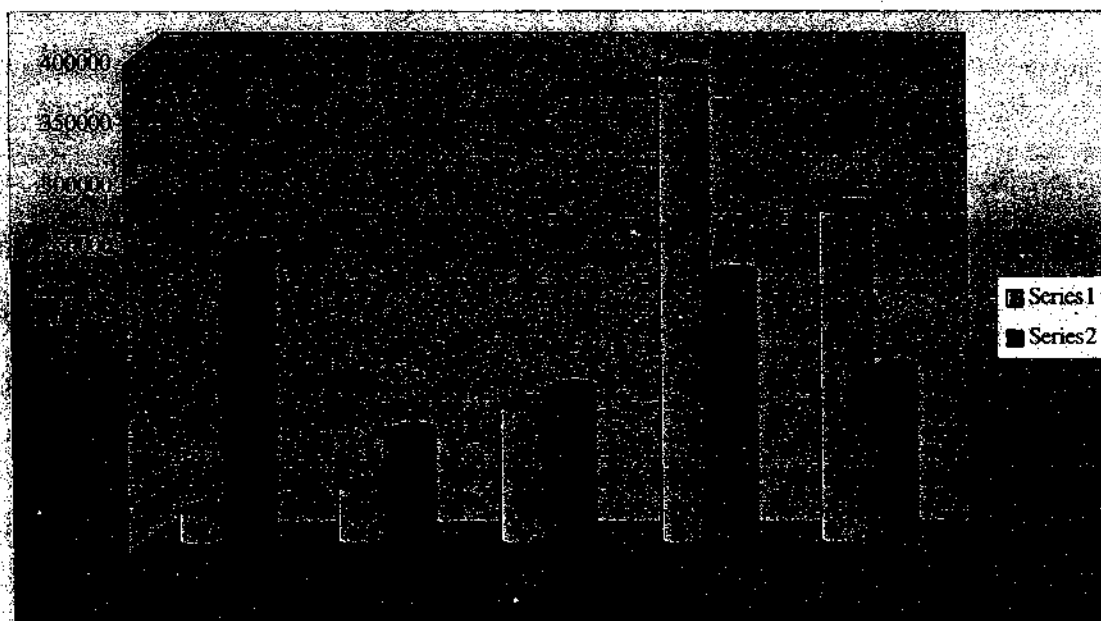
Altogether, 8,04,582 persons in the age group of 15-59 are unemployed. They are 49.18 per cent of population in that age group. Majority of the unemployed (29.51 per cent) are in the age group of 15-21 years. About 53.15 per cent of the unemployed belong to the age group of 22-44 years. The rest are (17.34 per cent) in between 45 and 59 years. The age wise classification of non workers is given in Table 6.4

Table 6.4
Age wise Classification of Non Workers (15-59 Years)

Sl. No.	Classification	Total	% to Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
(1)	15-21 Years	: 237463	29.51
(2)	22-24 "	: 88388	10.99
(3)	25-29 "	: 122139	15.18
(4)	30-44 "	: 217066	26.98
(5)	45-59 "	: 139526	17.34
Total		: 804582	100

Details on age distribution of workers and non workers are shown in Figure 6.2

Fig 6.2



(Series 1- workers, Series 2- Non workers)

The unemployment level among Vettuvan, Thandan, Mannan, Bharatar etc which are the middle group with respect to their strength of population, is high when compared to the State level unemployment of Scheduled Castes. The community wise status of non workers among Scheduled Castes are given in Appendix 6.2

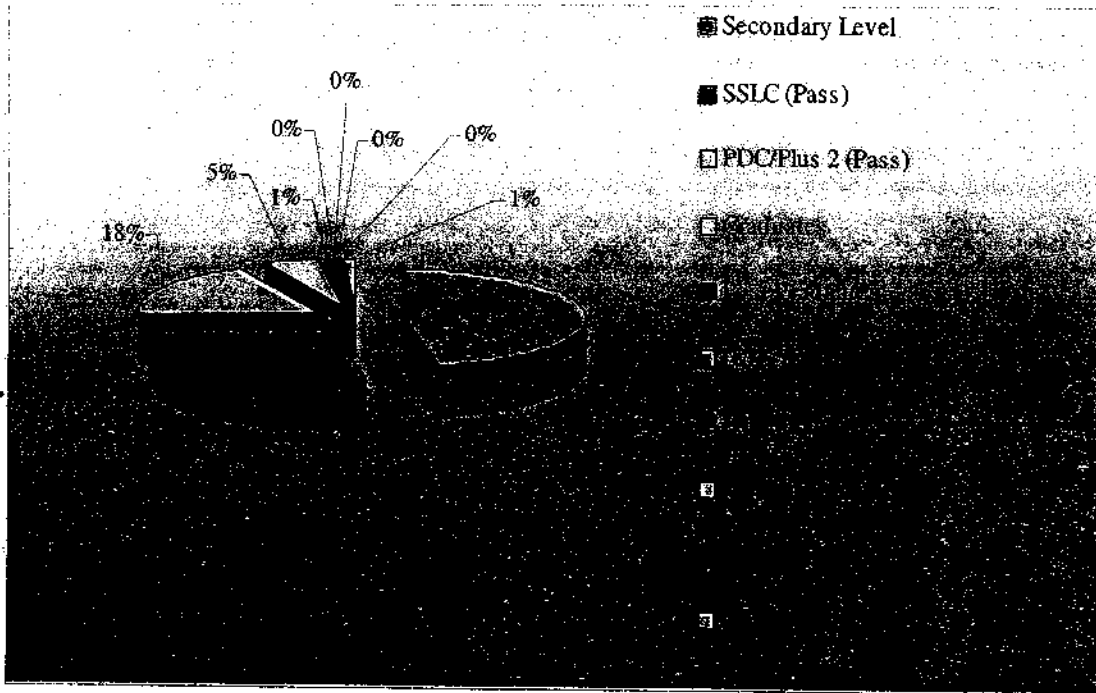
Majority of the unemployed (36.40 per cent) are of the qualification of secondary level. Among the unemployed 21.45 per cent are SSLC holders and 14.28 per cent are in the higher secondary level.

The unemployment level among the educated Scheduled Castes is higher than the State average of unemployment among total Scheduled Castes. 59.53 per cent of the SSLC holders and 76.60 per cent of the Plus 2 certificate holders remain unemployed. The unemployment level among graduates is 63.56 per cent and it is 54.60 per cent among post graduates. Even Scheduled Caste youths with engineering and medical degrees are unemployed. Table 6.5 and Figure 6.3 reveal the status of educational qualification of unemployed Scheduled Castes in the age 15-59.

Table 6.5
Educational Status of Unemployed (15-59 Years)

Sl. No.	Educational Status	15-59 Years		Percentage	
		Persons	Unemployed	To Unemployed	To Population
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
(1)	Illiterates	107545	42272	5.25	39.31
(2)	Literates/ Neo Literates	12688	3248	0.40	25.60
(3)	Primary Level	385431	133409	16.58	34.61
(4)	Secondary Level	614614	292908	36.40	47.66
(5)	SSLC (Pass)	289978	172617	21.45	59.53
(6)	PDC/Plus 2 (Pass)	149978	114877	14.28	76.60
(7)	Graduates	47842	30406	3.78	63.56
(8)	Post Graduates	8665	4731	0.59	54.60
(9)	B Tech	1100	502	0.06	45.64
(10)	Engineering (Certificate/Diploma)	2336	1242	0.15	53.17
(11)	Medicine (Degree)	283	81	0.01	28.62
(12)	Other Professional Degree	3691	1880	0.23	50.93
(13)	Other Professional Courses (Certificate/ Diploma)	12060	6409	0.80	53.14
Total		1636211	804582	100	49.18

Fig 6.3



The details on employment and unemployment status of Scheduled Castes are given in Part III, Annexure 44-52.

About 17,69,767 persons are above 18 years of age. They are eligible to be registered as job seekers under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS). However, only 251782 persons (14.23 per cent) have been enrolled under the scheme. Among the registered persons only 1,76,793 persons (70.22 per cent) have obtained job during 2008-09. Details are given in Table 6.6

Table 6.6
Registration under MGNREGS

Sl. No.	Particulars	Persons
(1)	(2)	(3)
(1)	Persons Completed 18 Years	1769767
(2)	Persons Registered under MGNREGS	251782
(3)	Percentage of Registration	14.23
(4)	Persons Obtained Job During 2008-09	176793
(5)	Percentage of Acceptance	70.22

Agriculture is not a serious occupation among Scheduled Castes, mainly due to non availability of land. The cultivation practices in the patches of land available in the homesteads are described below:

Among the seasonal crops cultivated by Scheduled Castes, paddy and plantain occupy the largest area, ie; 34.95 per cent by paddy and 36.65 per cent by plantain. In the case of perennial crops, coconut has the largest area (78.59 per cent). Rubber occupies the largest area (58.88 per cent) of cash crops raised by Scheduled Castes followed by pepper (16.46 per cent) and coffee (16.12 per cent).

The cropping pattern of Scheduled Castes in their fragmented plots is shown in Appendix 6.3

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GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

SCSTDD—GOVERNMENT OF KERALA SCHOLARSHIP TO SC/ST STUDENTS FOR
OVERSEAS STUDIES—GUIDELINES—FORMULATED—ORDERS—ISSUED.

SCHEDULED CASTES/SCHEDULED TRIBES
DEVELOPMENT (A) DEPARTMENT

G. O. (Ms.) 81/2017/SCSTDD. *Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 4th October, 2017.*

*Read:—*1. G. O. (P) 50/2009/SCSTDD dated 2-7-2009.

2. Letter No. Edn.A2-14789/2017 dated 25-8-2017 from
Director, Scheduled Caste Development Department.

ORDER

It is one of the high priorities of Government of Kerala to extend financial assistance to the students belonging to SC/ST categories for pursuing their higher studies abroad. Vide Government order read as first paper above there exists general guidelines in this regard.

However, Government have noticed that the existing guidelines entail more clarity to create a very conducive environment for the students to avail overseas scholarship in a transparent, hassle-free and easy way.

As per the letter read 2nd paper above, Director, Scheduled Caste Development Department furnished a comprehensive proposal for framing detailed guidelines for sanctioning overseas scholarship to assist

academically brilliant SC/ST students seeking admission in reputed foreign universities.

Government have examined the matter in detail and are pleased to introduce fresh guidelines for the scheme "GOVERNMENT OF KERALA—SCHOLARSHIP FOR OVERSEAS STUDIES TO SC/ST STUDENTS" for achieving the above purpose.

The guidelines are as appended.

By order of the Governor,

USHA T. NAIR,

Joint Secretary to Government.

To

The Director, Scheduled Castes Development Department.

The Director, Scheduled Tribes Development Department.

The Director, Technical Education Department.

The Director, Collegiate Education Department.

Registrar, All Universities.

Finance Department.

Higher Education Department.

The Principal Accountant General (G &SSA), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.

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**GUIDELINES FOR SANCTIONING GOVERNMENT OF KERALA
SCHOLARSHIP FOR OVERSEAS STUDIES TO SCHEDULED CASTE AND
SCHEDULED TRIBE STUDENTS**

INTRODUCTION

The GOVERNMENT OF KERALA SCHOLARSHIP FOR OVERSEAS STUDIES TO SC&ST (hereinafter called "the scholarship") is a merit cum means scholarship for higher studies outside India. This programme is envisaged to help the talented and meritorious students to pursue higher studies abroad which will allow them access to a broader area of knowledge and widen the scope of their activities. In the longer run, it should fetch them a better means and a career at par with the best in the world. So, the courses, the opportunities offered by institution they select, the acceptance of the course inside and outside our country, the expected terminal contribution to the individual and his family, etc., will weigh foremost in deciding the award of scholarship.

Students aspiring for overseas studies should start their preparation well in advance, preferably during the last year of their degree course. They must collect all relevant information about the course, the institution, the fee structure, living expenses including lodging and boarding in the country opted for higher studies.

OBJECTIVES

The programme has the following broad objectives:

1. To provide opportunity for the talented and meritorious students to acquire skill, knowledge and international exposure in the area of their studies.
2. To provide opportunity to study subjects/courses which are not in vogue in India but has great scope and potential for better employment.

3. To help students tide over financial hurdles in the process of seeking higher studies.
4. To give an impetus to Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe students to dream big and to set higher goals in their career path.

ELIGIBILITY NORMS

In order to be eligible to apply for the scholarship, the applicant should satisfy the following conditions:

1. Must be a resident of Kerala and belong to the Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes of Kerala.
2. Must have secured at least 55% mark in the qualifying examination if the candidate is SC and at least 50% mark if the candidate is ST.
3. Must be below 35 years of age as on the date of application.
4. Must possess the required grades/scores in IELTS/GRE/TOEFL or other relevant tests applicable, if any.
5. Must have received an offer letter from the institution concerned regarding admission to the course.
6. **The Scholarship shall be granted to a student only for one programme of study and shall be limited to the period for which it is sanctioned.** The period of study generally means the course duration including examinations but a maximum of one week overstay will be permitted in deserving cases.

INCOME LIMIT

Three slabs are fixed based on the annual family income of the student. For this purpose, the income of parents and the applicant, taken together, shall be considered. The slabs are as follows:

1. Students with an annual family income up to ₹ 12,00,000 will get full scholarship to meet all the expenses certified by the authorities concerned including accommodation and living expenses and air travel expenses in economy class.
2. Students with an annual family income between ₹ 12,00,000 and ₹ 20,00,000 will get actual tuition fee certified by the authorities concerned, visa charges, air fare admissible, Medical Insurance Premium plus 50% of accommodation and living expenses.
3. Students with annual family income above ₹ 20,00,000 will be eligible only for actual tuition fee certified by the authorities concerned.
4. Income limit will not be applicable to Scheduled Tribe candidates.

COURSES COVERED

Postgraduate Degree, Postgraduate Diploma considered equal to a Postgraduate degree, MPhil. and equivalents, Ph.D and Post Doctoral programmes will be covered under the scheme.

AREAS/SUBJECTS*Category A*

Scholarships will be available to undertake studies in the following areas/subjects:

1. Pure Science
2. Management and Business Administration
3. Engineering
4. Medicine

5. Agricultural Science
6. Applied Science
7. Computer Science and Information Technology
8. Language of the host country.

Category B

Courses which are not available in India coming under the following subject areas will also be considered for the scholarship.

1. Social Science and Humanities
2. Commerce
3. Arts, Fine Arts, Music and allied subjects
4. Law.

INSTITUTIONS

The Scholarship shall be limited to the courses in Universities or other institutions of higher learning which come in the first five hundred ranks as per Times Higher Education World University rankings. The latest available rank list in the year of application will be considered.

PROCEDURE FOR APPLYING FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP

- The candidate must first obtain a letter of offer of admission and an official document indicating the annual Tuition Fee and food and accommodation charges from the institution concerned.
- Within two weeks after the receipt of the above documents, the student can apply online for the scholarship. A print out of the application thus submitted online along with the following certificates should be forwarded in hard copy to the Director, SCDD or STDD, as the case may be.

CERTIFICATES REQUIRED

1. Copy of SSLC Book/ Birth Certificate
2. Community Certificate
3. Income Certificate
4. Copy of the Mark List of the Qualifying Examination
5. Copy of the Degree Certificate of the qualifying Examination
6. Copy of GRE, IELTS, TOEFL or other relevant score certificate, if applicable
7. Copy of offer letter from the institution to which the candidate seeks admission
8. Copy of Study/Student Visa
9. Copy of Aadhaar Card
10. Copy of Bank Pass Book
11. Any other document which will be specified in the online portal.
 - All enquiries regarding the scholarship shall be with the Directors concerned.
 - Intimation will be given to the student online regarding the provisional approval of the application within ten days by the Director, SCDD or STDD, as the case may be.
 - Students who join the course before obtaining such provisional approval will be doing so at their own risk.
 - Applications submitted after taking admission in a foreign university/ institution will not be considered under any circumstances.
 - The student will obtain a certificate from the institution with details of every item of expenditure and submit the same to the Director, SCDD/STDD online and send the hard copy by post within a month after joining the course.

PROCEDURE FOR SANCTIONING SCHOLARSHIP

- On receipt of the application, the Director shall verify the same and, if in order, issue an intimation, within ten days, to the student regarding provisional sanction of the scholarship.
- At the second stage, the Director shall sanction the first instalment of scholarship which will include one way economy class air fare, visa charge and tuition fee for the first year along with ₹ 5 Lakh in advance as living expenses. The maximum living expense will be limited to ₹ 10 Lakh for the entire course and the advance adjusted in the second instalment.
- The second instalment will be sanctioned only on receipt of a certificate from the Head of the Institution regarding the accommodation and living expenses and the receipts for the fees remitted. The student should also submit progress reports on his studies duly signed by the Head of the Institution to the Director concerned.
- Based on the progress report and certificate of expenditure from the authorities concerned, the Director shall sanction the next instalments.
- The amount of scholarship will be decided based on the certificate from the institution and each instalment will be fixed considering the requirement at each stage. The amount will be credited to the bank account of the student in India.

COMPONENTS OF THE SCHOLARSHIP

The scholarship amount shall cover the following components:

1. To and fro air fare by the shortest route in economy class (for one journey each only)
2. Medical Insurance Premium
3. Tuition fee

4. Accommodation (on certification by the University/Institution)
5. Living expenses (food, local travel, etc.)
6. Actual Visa Charges
7. Other non refundable expenses/remittances to the Institution/ University.

OTHER CONDITIONS

- Course of study or institution for which fund transfer has been initiated can not be changed.
- The total amount of scholarship initially fixed in Indian Rupees based on the certificate from the institution of study will not be revised and no additional amount will be sanctioned.
- The student will have to obtain report on his study/performance from the Head of the Institution or in charge of the course and forward the same after each semester or after each half year, as the case may be.
- The student will have to refund the respective portion of the amount of scholarship availed by him from Government of Kerala if he/she gets any other scholarship, the components of which overlap this scholarship.
- An agreement detailing all other aspects in the prescribed format will be signed between the Director and the student.
- The students shall follow the instructions of the Indian Embassy and NORKA ROOTS in the foreign country. They shall stand advised to get in touch with them as soon as they begin to explore the possibility of this scholarship.
- The number scholarships to be awarded each year shall be decided by the Government of Kerala from time to time.