

# Aikyashree Scholarship

## 1. INTRODUCTION:

In West Bengal, the Aikyashree Scholarship is a government program to help financially underprivileged students pursuing higher education. Christians, Sikhs, Muslims, Parsi, and Buddhists are just a few of the diverse communities it serves. Scholarships for Minority Students is to be fully funded from the State budget from the financial year 2019-20 onwards.

## 2. TYPES OF SCHOLARSHIP:

Three types of scholarship will be provided under this scheme:

- (i) Pre-Matric Scholarship ( for meritorious students from Class I to Class X)
- (ii) Post-Matric Scholarship (for meritorious students from Class XI to Class Ph.D), and
- (iii) Merit-Cum-Means Scholarship ( for pursuing technical & professional courses).

## 3. OBJECTIVES:

The Primary objectives of the Pre-matric Scholarship is to encourage the minority communities to send their children to school and to prevent drop-out.

The Post-matric scholarship intends to encourage students to continue their pursuit of higher education.

The objective of Merit-cum-Means scholarship for professional and technical courses is to support the students to pursue professional / technical studies for consequently increasing their employability potential.

## Eligibility Criteria for Aikyashree Scholarship

### 4. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA :

#### A. For Pre-matric Scholarship, and

#### B. Post-matric Scholarship

- (i) Applicant must be a domicile of West Bengal.
- (ii) Must be studying in a school/ Institution recognized by an educational Board/ Council/ University of the State/ Central Government.
- (iii) Must have secured not less than 50% marks or equivalent grade in the previous final examination.
- (iv) The annual family income should not exceed Rs.2 Lakh.
- (v) Students studying in institutes outside West Bengal will not be eligible for pre-matric or post-matric scholarship.

#### C. For Merit-cum-Means Scholarship

- (i) Applicant must be a domicile of West Bengal.
- (ii) Must have got admission in a technical / professional course.
- (iii) Must have secured at least 50% marks in the last Higher Secondary/Graduation

examination.

- (iv) Annual family income of the student should not be more than Rs.2.5 Lakh.
- (v) The students who are residents of West Bengal but pursuing studies in listed institutions located outside West Bengal, as may be notified from time to time by the West Bengal Minorities Development and Finance Corporation, are also eligible for applying.

## **5. SELECTION PROCEDURE :**

Scholarship will be provided to eligible students in order of merit and subject to the budgetary allocation provided by the State Government.

For renewal, the applicant will be eligible for the scholarship if he/she has obtained 50% marks in his/her previous examination.

1.The West Bengal Minorities Development & Finance Corporation may notify inhabitants of the following institutions that are not in the state of West Bengal but are offering education there: such students may also apply.

### **Documents Required for Aikyashree**

Before beginning the application process, students must have the necessary documents to qualify for the Aikyashree Scholarship 2024. Among them are:

1. A community certificate
2. A certificate of income.
3. The current academic year's fee receipt.
4. A certificate of academic achievement from the prior year, self-attested.
5. Domicile certificate
6. Bank account Details
7. A Valid mobile number
8. Aadhar Card

### **Steps to Apply**

#### **Step 1: Enrollment of Student**

1. Open the Aikyashree Scholarship portal <https://wbmdfcscholarship.in/>.
2. Select New Registration.
3. Choose the District of your Institute.
4. Fill out the registration form with your name, bank account number, mobile number, email address, district, and guardian's name.
5. To continue, press the "Submit" button.

#### **Step 2: Eligibility**

- Complete the online form to determine your eligibility for the program, providing information about your current school, course or class name, last exam completed, board name, year of previous exam passing, percentage of marks received, annual family income, and email address.
- Carefully review the information and select Submit & Proceed.

### **Step 3: Finishing the Registration**

- A provisional User ID shall be generated for you immediately, a mandatory requirement to access the platform and avail of the services.
- Students will receive an email ID and the password at the given email address.

### **Step 4: Login as a student**

- To access the Student Login page, enter the User ID and Password.
- Type in these particulars: Academic Data, Personal detail, Banking Information
- Click "Submit" after changing the password (Required for increased security).

### **Step 5: Completed Submission**

1. Complete the section on Basic Information.
2. Complete the Academic Information field.
3. Select Submit and Proceed.
4. Finish filling out the bank account information and make sure it is correct.
5. Select the "Pre-View" tab and review all the information provided.
6. Select "Final Submit" from the drop-down menu.

### **Final Step: Verification and Printing**

- Examine each detail.
- Print a copy of the application form if you know the data is accurate.
- Send the application form to the appropriate institute with a copy of your bank passbook, which has your IFSC code and bank account number.

### **How to Apply for the Renewal of Scholarship**

1. Go to the West Bengal Minorities Development and Finance Corporation (WBMDFC Scholarship) official website.
2. Select the "Aikyashree Scholarship" menu item.
3. Choose the button labeled "Renew Application."
4. Type in your birthdate and application ID.
5. Your mobile number will receive an OTP. Enter it to proceed.
6. Verify that your personal information is accurate.
7. You can amend your bank account details if they have changed.
8. Press the "Submit" button.

### **How to Track Your Application Status - Process**

1. Visit the official [WBMDFC](#) website
2. Click on Track Application tab in the website menu bar
3. Next step is to enter your application ID, select the district and enter your date of birth
4. Type in the captcha code displayed
5. Click the Submit button to complete the process