

National Overseas Scholarship- Frequently Asked Questions

Who can apply for the Scholarship

Ans: Following target groups are eligible to apply under the Scheme:

- (i) Scheduled Castes
- (ii) Denotified Tribes
- (iii) Traditional Artisans
- (iv) Landless Agriculture Labourer

What is the eligibility criterion?

Ans: (i) Age below 35 as on 1st April of every Selection Year.

(ii) Family Income less than Rs. 8,00,000/- (Rs. Eight lakh per annum).

How many slots are available?

Ans: 125 slots are available each Financial Year.

Whether the Scholarship is available for Graduation Level Course.

Ans: No, under the Scheme Scholarship is given for Master and Ph.D level courses only.

What is the minimum Qualification Required?

Ans: Graduation for Masters and PG for Ph.D

What is the minimum percentage of marks required?

Ans: 60%

How many awards are required for SC/ Denotified Tribes/Traditional Artisans.

1. Scheduled Castes - 115
 2. Denotified, Nomadic and Semi-Nomadic Tribes - 06
 3. Landless Agricultural Labourers and Traditional Artisans - 04
- Total - 125

What is the procedure for applying?

Ans: Applicant can apply on the online portal only. The <http://nosmsje.gov.in/>

Can the applicant apply through offline?

Ans: No

What are the documents required for filling the forms

Ans: Applicant can refer how to file the form documents available in the portal <http://nosmsje.gov.in/>. The detailed documents explained the documents required and other detail for filling the form.

What is the duration of the Scholarship?

Ans: Maximum 3 year for Master.

Maximum 4 year for Ph.D.

How much financial assistance is provided?

Ans: Under the scheme following assistance is provided:

1. Tuition Fees.
2. Maintenance allowance (US Dollars 15,400/- Annually except UK.Great Britain Pound 9,900/- Annually in UK)
3. Contingency
4. Visa fees
5. Equipment allowance
6. Tuition Fee only and medical insurance premium
7. Air Passage by economy class as per scheme guidelines

For details refer to latest scheme guidelines available on the Portal/Website of the Department.

Who gives the assistance?

Ans: Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment provides financial assistance for the admissible expenditure incurred in India and the expenditure incurred abroad on the awardees and is met by the concerned Indian Missions. Consequent upon final selection of a candidate for award under the scheme, the candidate is issued a award letter by this Ministry.

Within how much period a candidate can avail the award?

Ans: Students may be allowed a maximum time period of either one year or two intake deferrals, whichever is earlier from the date of issuance of provisional award letter to join university/Institute abroad failing which the award would stand automatically cancelled and no correspondence in this regard will be entertained thereafter.

How to seek admission abroad?

Ans: Selected candidates are required to themselves arrange for their admission in foreign accredited educational institutions/universities.

What to do after getting admission?

Ans: After a candidate has obtained confirmed admission in a foreign educational institution, the candidate is required to intimate the same to this Ministry which in turn may get it verified through the Indian Missions abroad. After receipt of the confirmation of the admission, this Ministry will issue the 'confirmed award letter' to the concerned candidate, wherein the details of the course, educational institution etc. will be also mentioned.

How to get visa?

Ans: Consequent upon confirmed admission of a candidate for a specific course in an educational institution abroad, the concerned candidate may contact the embassy, consulate, mission of the foreign country in India. The candidates should, however, apply for only such type of visa which requires them to return to India after pursuing their course abroad. The Government of India does not render any assistance to a candidate for obtaining visa.

What are the formalities to be completed before proceeding for studies abroad?

Ans: The selected candidates are required to furnish all such legal documents and other agreements before their departure abroad, as decided by Government of India from time to time. The candidates on reaching abroad are also required to immediately contact the concerned Indian Mission abroad and to share joining report duly certified by University. In case of employed candidates, they are also required to execute such bonds, agreements etc. as may be required by the employer.