

ADVERTISEMENT FOR PRE-MATRIC, POST MATRIC AND TOP CLASS SCHOLARSHIP FOR DIFFERENTLY ABLED STUDENTS FOR THE YEAR 2025-26

The Department of persons with Disabilities (DEPwD), Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India is implementing three scholarships for students with disabilities through the **National Scholarship Portal (NSP): (www.scholarships.gov.in)**.

- a) **Pre-matric scholarships for Class IX and X**
- b) **Post-matric scholarships for Class XI to Post-graduation and**
- c) **Scholarship for Top Class Education** (For Graduate and Post-Graduate Degree/ Diploma in notified institutes of excellence in education).

Eligibility Criteria:

1. All the 3 components of scholarships are open to students with benchmark disability i.e., 40% or more disability and having a valid certificate of disability issued by the competent authority/UDID card with 40% or above disability.
2. Annual parental income:
 - a. **For Pre-Matric & Post-Matric-Scholarship** will be granted to the differently abled students whose parental/Guardian's Income from all sources does not exceed **Rs. 2.5 lakhs per annum**. The income certificate should be obtained only from the Circle Officer of respective of respective Revenue Circle.
 - b. **For Top Class- Scholarship** will be granted to the differently abled students whose parental/Guardian's Income from all sources does not exceed **Rs. 8 lakhs per annum**. The income certificate should be obtained only from the Circle Officer of respective of respective Revenue Circle.
3. Applicants or their parents must link their bank account with AADHAAR number.
(Account number is not required for scholarship disbursement through National Scholarship Portal. Scholarship will be disbursed directly into the AADHAAR seeded bank account of the beneficiary).

For Applicants:

1. All the fresh/renewal applicants who are eligible to apply for National scholarship have to do a **One Time Registration (OTR)** and also face authentication before applying for the Scholarship in the National Scholarship Portal through the **mobile application "NSPOTR"** which is available in the Play Store.
2. The students who applied for the scholarship last year have already received a reference id through registered Mobile No. to generate One Time Registration(OTR).
3. AADHAAR is mandatory for all the applicants. However for minor applicants who apply without AADHAAR, parents or legal guardian's AADHAAR is mandatory.

The timelines for submission of applications and verification at institute level are mentioned below:

| Sl. No. | Components of National Scholarship for Students with Disabilities | Application open date | Last date of Submission of application | Last date of verification by Institute Nodal Officers |
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| 1. | Pre-matric scholarships for Class IX and X | 25th June, 2025 | 31st August, 2025 | 15th September, 2025 |
| 2. | Post-matric scholarships for Class XI to Post-graduation | 25th June, 2025 | 31st October, 2025 | 15th November, 2025 |
| 3. | Top Class scholarship (For Graduate and Post-Graduate Degree/Diploma in notified institutes of excellence in education) | 25th June, 2025 | 31st October, 2025 | 15th November, 2025 |

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