

India Scholarship Guide 2026–27

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NSP deadline: Oct 31, 2026 · Apply free at scholarships.gov.in

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■ **NEW RULE 2026–27:** One student can now receive **MULTIPLE** scholarships simultaneously — one merit-based + one or more welfare-based. Apply to every scheme you qualify for. Apply free at scholarships.gov.in · Pre-matric deadline: Sep 30 · Post-matric deadline: Oct 31, 2026.

■ Top 10 Most Searched Scholarships — Start Here

Scholarship	Who can apply	Amount	Deadline	Official portal
UP Scholarship	UP students · SC/ST/OBC/Gen · Class 9–PG	Varies	Oct–Nov	scholarship.up.gov.in
Post Matric Scholarship	Class 11+ · SC/ST/OBC/Minority · All states	Rs 3,000–18,000/yr	Oct 31, 2026	scholarships.gov.in
National Scholarship Portal	All categories · Class 1–PG	Rs 1,000–3.3L/yr	Oct 31, 2026	scholarships.gov.in
Swami Vivekananda (SVMCM)	WB students · Merit-cum-means · Class 11–PhD	Rs 12,000–96,000/yr	Oct–Nov	svmcm.wbhed.gov.in
State Scholarship	Varies by state · SC/ST/OBC/Minority	State-specific	Sep–Nov	scholarships.gov.in
SSP Scholarship	Karnataka · SC/ST/OBC · Class 1–PG	Rs 500–15,000/yr	Sep–Oct	ssp.karnataka.gov.in
Azim Premji Scholarship	Merit-cum-means · UG · Any stream	Rs 25,000–50,000/yr	Rolling	azimpremjifoundation.org
OASIS Scholarship	West Bengal · OBC-A/OBC-B · Class 11–PG	Rs 1,500–5,000/yr	Nov	oasis.gov.in
Digital Gujarat Scholarship	Gujarat students · All categories · Class 1–PG	Rs 3,500–70,000/yr	Sep–Oct	digitalgujarat.gov.in
MahaDBT Scholarship	Maharashtra · SC/ST/OBC/SBC · Class 11–PG	Rs 5,000–60,000/yr	Oct–Nov	mahadbt.maharashtra.gov.in

Section 1 — Central Government Scholarships

Apply via National Scholarship Portal (scholarships.gov.in) unless a different portal is noted below.

Scholarship	Who can apply	Amount (per year)	Deadline	Portal
NSP — Pre-Matric	SC/ST/OBC/Minority · Class 1–10	Rs 1,000–10,000	Sep 30, 2026	scholarships.gov.in
NSP — Post-Matric	SC/ST/OBC/Minority · Class 11+	Rs 3,000–18,000	Oct 31, 2026	scholarships.gov.in
Central Sector Scholarship	Class 12 passed · Merit · Income < Rs 8L	Rs 20,000	Oct 31, 2026	scholarships.gov.in
NMMS Scholarship	Class 8 · Income < Rs 3.5L · Merit	Rs 12,000	Oct–Nov	scholarships.gov.in
INSPIRE Scholarship	Top 1% in Class 12 · Science stream · UG	Rs 80,000	Nov–Dec	online-inspire.gov.in
PM YASASVI Scholarship	OBC/EBC/DNT · Class 9–11 & UG · Merit	Rs 75,000–1,25,000	Jul–Sep	yet.nta.ac.in
AICTE Pragati Scholarship	Girls in Diploma/Degree technical edu.	Rs 50,000	Oct	aicte-pragati-saksham-gov.in
PM Scholarship Scheme	Children of ex-servicemen · UG/PG	Rs 36,000–48,000	Oct–Nov	desw.gov.in
Minority Scholarship (NSP)	Muslim/Christian/Sikh/Buddhist/Parsi · Class 1–PG	Rs 5,000–20,000	Oct 31, 2026	scholarships.gov.in
National Overseas Scholarship	SC/ST · Study abroad · PG/PhD	Up to Rs 20 lakh	Mar	nosmsje.gov.in
Ishan Uday Scholarship	North East region · UG · Income < Rs 4.5L	Rs 54,000	Oct	scholarships.gov.in
OBC Post-Matric Scholarship	OBC · Class 11+ · Income < Rs 1L	Rs 1,200–3,500	Oct 31, 2026	scholarships.gov.in
Dr. Ambedkar Post-Matric	SC/ST/OBC/DNT · Higher studies	Varies	Oct	scholarships.gov.in
PFMS Scholarship	All govt scholarship recipients — payment tracking	DBT direct	Ongoing	pfms.nic.in
NTSE Scholarship	Class 10 · National talent search · Merit	Rs 12,000–24,000	Nov	ncert.nic.in
Pre-Matric SC/ST/OBC	SC/ST/OBC · Class 9–10 · Income-based	Rs 1,000–3,500	Sep 30, 2026	scholarships.gov.in
National Fellowship (SC)	SC students · MPhil/PhD	Rs 25,000–28,000/month	Oct	ugc.ac.in

Section 2 — State-wise Scholarship Portals

Each state has its own portal. Apply on your state portal AND on NSP — both are separate and do not overlap.

Scholarship / Scheme	State	Who can apply	Amount	Official portal
UP Scholarship	UP	SC/ST/OBC/Gen · Class 9–PG · Income-based	Varies	scholarship.up.gov.in
Bihar Post Matric Scholarship	BR	SC/ST/OBC · Class 11+ · Income < Rs 1.5L	Rs 2,000–10,000	pmonline.bih.nic.in
Bihar Graduation Scholarship	BR	Girls · Graduation completion	Rs 50,000	medhasoft.bih.nic.in
Dr. Rajendra Prasad Scholarship	BR	Bihar students · Merit · UG/PG	Varies	Bihar state portal
SSP Scholarship (Karnataka)	KA	SC/ST/OBC/Gen · Class 1–PG	Rs 500–15,000	ssp.karnataka.gov.in

Scholarship / Scheme	State	Who can apply	Amount	Official portal
SSP Pre-Matric	KA	SC/ST/OBC · Class 1–10	Rs 500–5,000	ssp.karnataka.gov.in
SSP Post-Matric	KA	SC/ST/OBC · Class 11+	Rs 5,000–15,000	ssp.karnataka.gov.in
OASIS Scholarship	WB	OBC-A/OBC-B · Class 11–PG · Income < Rs 2.5L	Rs 1,500–5,000	oasis.gov.in
Swami Vivekananda (SVMCM)	WB	Merit-cum-means · Class 11–PhD · 60%+ marks · Income < Rs 2.5L	Rs 12,000–96,000/yr	svmcm.wbhed.gov.in
Aikyashree Scholarship	WB	Minority community · Class 5–PG · WB	Rs 1,200–10,000	aikyashree.wb.gov.in
Nabanna Scholarship	WB	Class 11–UG · Merit · Income < Rs 6L	Rs 12,000	wbsed.gov.in
WBMDFC Scholarship	WB	Minority · WB · Class 1–PG · WBMDFC	Rs 1,000–5,000	wbmdfc.org
Digital Gujarat Scholarship	GJ	All categories · Class 1–PG · Gujarat	Rs 3,500–70,000	digitalgujarat.gov.in
MYSY Scholarship	GJ	Merit · Class 11–UG · Income < Rs 6L	Rs 50,000	mysy.guj.nic.in
Gyan Sadhana Scholarship	GJ	Girls · Class 9–12 · Gujarat	Rs 20,000	e-samajkalyan.gujarat.gov.in
MahaDBT Scholarship	MH	SC/ST/OBC/SBC · Class 11–PG · Maharashtra	Rs 5,000–60,000	mahadbt.maharashtra.gov.in
Panjabrao Deshmukh Scholarship	MH	Girls in agriculture colleges · UG	Rs 50,000	mahadbt.maharashtra.gov.in
Odisha State Scholarship	OD	SC/ST/OBC · Class 1–PG · Odisha	Varies	scholarship.odisha.gov.in
MPTAAS Scholarship	MP	Tribal (ST) students · Class 1–PG · MP	Varies	tribal.mp.gov.in
MP Scholarship (Sambal/OBC)	MP	OBC/SC/ST · Post-matric · MP	Rs 2,000–12,000	scholarshipportal.mp.nic.in
CG Scholarship	CG	SC/ST/OBC · Class 1–PG · Chhattisgarh	Varies	scholarshipportal.cg.nic.in
CG Post Matric Scholarship	CG	SC/ST · Class 11+ · CG state	Rs 2,000–10,000	scholarshipportal.cg.nic.in
Punjab Scholarship	PB	SC/BC/Minority · Class 1–PG · Punjab	Varies	punjab.gov.in
e-Kalyan Scholarship	JH	SC/ST/OBC · Jharkhand · Class 11+	Rs 5,000–15,000	jharkhand.gov.in/ekalyan
ePASS Scholarship	TS	SC/ST · Telangana · Post-matric	Rs 2,500–20,000	telanganaepass.cgg.gov.in
e-Grantz Scholarship	KL	SC/ST/OBC/Minority · Kerala · Class 1–PG	Rs 3,000–20,000	egrantz.kerala.gov.in
CMSS Scholarship	MP	Minority students · Class 1–PG · MP	Varies	scholarshipportal.mp.nic.in
Labour Card Scholarship	All	Children of registered labourers · state-based	Rs 8,000–30,000	State labour dept. portal
Bonafide Scholarship	All	State resident students · institution-issued	Varies	Your institution

Section 3 — Corporate & Private Foundation Scholarships

Apply directly on the organisation website or via buddy4study.com · vidyasaarathi.co.in.

Scholarship	Organisation	Who can apply	Amount	Deadline	Portal
Azim Premji Scholarship	Azim Premji Fdn	Merit-cum-means · UG · Any stream	Rs 25,000–50,000	Rolling	azimpremjifoundation.org
HDFC Parivartan (School)	HDFC Bank	Class 1–12 · Income < Rs 2.5L · 55%+ marks	Up to Rs 18,000	Oct 31, 2026	parivartanecss.com
HDFC Parivartan (UG/PG)	HDFC Bank	UG/PG/Diploma · Income < Rs 2.5L · 55%+ marks	Up to Rs 75,000	Oct 31, 2026	parivartanecss.com
LIC Golden Jubilee Scholarship	LIC India	Class 11–12 / UG · Income < Rs 1.2L	Rs 20,000	Sep–Oct	licindia.in
LIC HFL Vidyadhan Scholarship	LIC Housing	UG/PG · Need-based · 55%+ marks	Varies	Sep–Oct	lichfl.com
Reliance Foundation Scholarship	Reliance Fdn	Merit-cum-means · UG · Top colleges	Up to Rs 4 lakh (abroad)	Sep–Oct	reliancefoundation.org
Tata Capital Pankh	Tata Capital	Class 11–UG/Diploma · Income-based · 60%+ marks	Rs 10,000–1,00,000 (up to 80% tuition)	Sep 30, 2026	tatacapital.com
Tata Scholarship	Tata Trusts	Merit-cum-means · UG/PG	Varies	Rolling	tatatrusters.org
SBI Asha Scholarship	SBI Foundation	Need-based · Class 6–12 · Income < Rs 3L	Rs 15,000	Jul–Aug	sbifoundation.in
SBI Platinum Jubilee Asha	SBI Foundation	Merit-cum-means · UG · Income < Rs 3L	Rs 15,000–2,50,000	Jul–Sep	sbifoundation.in
Bharti Airtel Scholarship	Bharti Airtel	Merit-cum-means · UG Engineering/MBA	Rs 2,00,000	Sep–Oct	bharti-airtel.com
ONGC Scholarship	ONGC	SC/ST/OBC · Class 12–UG Engg/MBBS · 60%+	Rs 48,000 (2,000+ awards, 50% girls reserved)	Sep–Oct	ongcindia.com
Sitaram Jindal Scholarship	Sitaram Jindal Fdn	Need-based · Class 11–PG · Income < Rs 2.5L	Rs 2,000–5,000/month	Sep–Oct	sitaramjindalfoundation.org
Vidyadhan Scholarship	Sarojini Damodaran	Need-based · Class 11–UG · Income < Rs 3L	Rs 12,000–75,000	Jun–Sep	vidyadhan.org
Aditya Birla Scholarship	Aditya Birla	IITs/IIMs/NLUs/BITS · Merit	Rs 65,000–1,80,000	Sep–Oct	adityabirla.com
Kotak Kanya Scholarship	Kotak Mahindra	Girls · Class 12 → UG · Merit	Rs 1,50,000	Jul–Aug	kotakeducation.com
Mahindra EmpowerHer	Mahindra Group	Girls · UG Technical edu.	Rs 1,80,000	Sep–Oct	mahindraempower.com
FFE Scholarship	Foundation for Excellence	SC/ST · First-gen college · UG Engg/Medical	Rs 40,000–60,000	Sep–Oct	ffe.org
Vidyasaarathi Scholarship	NSE Foundation	Need-based · Class 12–UG · 60%+ marks	Rs 10,000–1,00,000	Rolling	vidyasaarathi.co.in
Atul Maheshwari Scholarship	Amar Ujala	UP students · Class 9–12 · Meritorious	Rs 1,00,000	Jul–Aug	amarujala.com
Medhavi National Scholarship	Medhavi Fdn	Merit-cum-means · UG	Varies	Rolling	medhavifoundation.org
Suzlon Scholarship	Suzlon Fdn	Need-based · UG Technical	Rs 30,000	Sep–Oct	suzlon.com

Scholarship	Organisation	Who can apply	Amount	Deadline	Portal
Kind Circle Scholarship	Kind Circle	Need-based · School/UG	Rs 10,000–50,000	Rolling	kindcircle.in
FFE/FAEA Scholarship	FAEA	North East region · Merit · UG/PG	Rs 36,000	Mar–Apr	faea.co.in
Connect to Work Scholarship	Various	Skill/employment pathway students	Varies	Rolling	buddy4study.com
Prize Money Scholarship	Various state orgs	Top scorers in board exams	Varies	Result time	State education dept.
Gyan Sadhana	Govt of Gujarat	Girls · Class 9–12 · Gujarat	Rs 20,000	Sep–Oct	e-samajkalyan.gujarat.gov.in
BITS Scholarship	BITS Pilani	BITS admittees · Merit · Income criteria	Rs 20,000–2,00,000	At admission	bits-pilani.ac.in
HDFC Scholarship (General)	HDFC Bank	Merit · Class 6–PG · Income < Rs 3.5L	Rs 15,000–75,000	Oct 31, 2026	parivartanecss.com

Section 4 — International / Study Abroad Scholarships

Most international scholarships are for Masters or PhD. All are highly competitive. Apply 6–12 months in advance.

Scholarship	Country	Who can apply	Covers	Deadline
MEXT Scholarship	Japan	Indian graduates · UG/PG/PhD · Merit	Full tuition + living + airfare	Jan–Apr
DAAD Scholarship	Germany	Indian students · Masters/PhD	Full tuition + monthly stipend + travel	Oct–Nov
Erasmus Mundus	EU	UG/Masters · Merit · No income limit	Full tuition + living stipend	Nov–Jan
Chevening Scholarship	UK	Indian graduates · Masters · Leadership potential	Full tuition + living + flights	Nov
Commonwealth Scholarship	UK/Cwlt	Indian students · Masters/PhD · Merit	Full tuition + stipend + allowances	Dec
Rhodes Scholarship	Oxford, UK	Indian graduates · Under 24 · Leadership	Full tuition + stipend + flights	Jul–Aug
Fulbright Scholarship	USA	Indian students · Masters/PhD · Merit	Full tuition + living	Jul
Charpak Scholarship	France	Indian students · Masters · STEM	Partial — up to Rs 6 lakh	Feb–Mar
GKS Scholarship	South Korea	Indian students · UG/PG/PhD · Merit	Full tuition + stipend + airfare	Feb–Mar
CFA Scholarship	Global	Finance students · CFA Level 1/2/3 exam	Exam fee reduction	Rolling
CFA Access Scholarship	Global	Low-income · CFA exam candidates	Up to 77% exam fee waiver	Rolling

Section 5 — Quick finder by education level

Class 9–12 (Pre-Matric & Board Level)

Scholarship	Level	Who can apply	Amount	Portal
NSP Pre-Matric (SC/ST/OBC/Minority)	Class 1–10	SC/ST/OBC/Minority · All states	Rs 1,000–10,000	scholarships.gov.in
NSP Post-Matric (Class 11–12 part)	Class 11–12	SC/ST/OBC/Minority	Rs 3,000–18,000	scholarships.gov.in
NMMS Scholarship	Class 8	Income < Rs 3.5L · Merit	Rs 12,000/yr	scholarships.gov.in
PM YASASVI Scholarship	Class 9–11	OBC/EBC/DNT · Merit exam	Rs 75,000	yet.nta.ac.in
SBI Asha Scholarship	Class 6–12	Need-based · Income < Rs 3L	Rs 15,000	sbifoundation.in
Labour Card Scholarship	Class 1–12	Children of registered workers	Rs 8,000–20,000	State labour dept.
HDFC Parivartan (School)	Class 1–12	Need-based · 55%+ · Income < Rs 2.5L	Up to Rs 18,000	parivartanecss.com
Atul Maheshwari Scholarship	Class 9–12	UP students · Meritorious	Rs 1,00,000	amarujala.com
10th / 12th State Scholarship	Class 10/12	SC/ST/OBC · State-specific	Varies	State portal

Undergraduate (UG) — BA / B.Sc / B.Com / B.Tech / MBBS

Scholarship	Level	Who can apply	Amount	Portal
NSP Post-Matric (UG)	UG	SC/ST/OBC/Minority · All states	Rs 3,000–18,000	scholarships.gov.in

Scholarship	Level	Who can apply	Amount	Portal
Central Sector Scholarship	UG	Class 12 passed · Merit · Income < Rs 8L	Rs 20,000	scholarships.gov.in
INSPIRE Scholarship	UG Science	Top 1% in Class 12 · Science	Rs 80,000/yr	online-inspire.gov.in
AICTE Pragati Scholarship	Diploma/Degree	Girls · Technical education	Rs 50,000	aicte-pragati-saksham-gov.in
Bihar Graduation Scholarship	UG Grad	Girls · Bihar · Graduation completion	Rs 50,000	medhasoft.bih.nic.in
Kotak Kanya Scholarship	UG (Girls)	Girls · Class 12 → UG transition	Rs 1,50,000	kotakeducation.com
Mahindra EmpowerHer	UG Technical	Girls · Engineering · Merit	Rs 1,80,000	mahindraempower.com
Tata Capital Pankh	Class 11–UG	60%+ marks · Income-based	Rs 10,000–1,00,000	tatacapital.com
HDFC Parivartan (UG)	UG/Diploma	55%+ marks · Income < Rs 2.5L	Up to Rs 75,000	parivartanecss.com
Scholarship for BTech Students	B.Tech	Merit/need-based · various orgs	Varies	scholarships.gov.in
BITS Pilani Scholarship	BITS campuses	BITS admittees · Merit	Rs 20,000–2,00,000	bits-pilani.ac.in
Vidyadhan Scholarship	Class 11–UG	Need-based · Income < Rs 3L	Rs 12,000–75,000	vidyadhan.org

Postgraduate (PG) · PhD · Distance / IGNOU

Scholarship	Level	Who can apply	Amount	Portal
Aditya Birla Scholarship	IITs/IIMs/NLUs	Top institutions · Merit	Rs 65,000–1,80,000	adityabirla.com
National Overseas Scholarship	PG/PhD abroad	SC/ST · Study abroad · PG/PhD	Up to Rs 20 lakh	nosmsje.gov.in
Reliance Foundation	UG/PG	Merit-cum-means · Top colleges	Up to Rs 4 lakh	reliancefoundation.org
IGNOU Scholarship	PG/Distance	IGNOU students · SC/ST · Need-based	Varies	ignou.ac.in
Swami Vivekananda (SVMCM PG)	PG/MPhil/PhD	WB · 53%+ marks · Income < Rs 2.5L	Rs 36,000–96,000	svmcm.wbhed.gov.in
Chevening	Masters · UK	Indian graduates · Leadership	Full funding	chevening.org
DAAD	Masters/PhD · Germany	Merit · Research focus	Full funding	daad.de
National Fellowship (SC)	MPhil/PhD	SC students · UGC fellowship	Rs 25,000–28,000/month	ugc.ac.in

Documents every scholarship application needs

Prepare these before applying to any scholarship — 90% of all schemes require all of these:

Document	Why it's needed	Where to get it
Aadhaar Card	Identity + address proof · mandatory for NSP	uidai.gov.in / any Aadhaar centre
Income Certificate	Proves annual family income (Rs 1L/2.5L/6L/8L limit by scheme)	SDM office / Tehsildar / BDO
Caste / Category Certificate	SC/ST/OBC/EWS eligibility proof for reserved category schemes	SDM office / Tehsildar
Class 10 & 12 mark sheet	Academic eligibility verification	Your school / board
Passing / Migration Certificate	Confirms qualifying exam completion · needed for state transfers	Your institution / board
Student bank account (own)	Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) — scholarship credited here	Any nationalised bank
Bank account linked to Aadhaar	Mandatory for NSP & most state portals · required for DBT	Visit bank branch to link
Domicile / Residence Certificate	State residency proof for all state-level scholarships	SDM / BDO office
Passport size photographs — 6 copies	Physical forms and online uploads both require photos	Photo studio
Current institution ID card	Proof of enrolment in current academic year	Your school/college
Previous year mark sheet	Academic performance in last qualifying exam	Your institution / board
Bonafide Certificate	Confirms active enrolment — issued for current year	Your institution principal
Aadhaar-linked mobile number	OTP verification on NSP, state portals · mandatory	Link at uidai.gov.in

How to apply on NSP (scholarships.gov.in) — 6 steps

1	Register	Go to scholarships.gov.in → New Registration (OTR) → enter Aadhaar + mobile number
2	Choose scheme	Log in → select Central or State scheme matching your category and level
3	Fill application	Enter academic details, family income, bank account, and upload documents
4	Submit & note ID	Submit before the deadline · note your Application Reference Number
5	Institution verification	Your school/college must verify online — follow up with them before Nov 15
6	Track payment	Check scholarship payment status at pfms.nic.in using bank account number

■ Apply to MULTIPLE scholarships simultaneously — 2026–27 rules allow it. A student who is SC category, from UP, studying UG, with income below Rs 2.5L can apply for: UP Scholarship + NSP Post Matric + HDFC Parivartan + Tata Capital Pankh + ONGC Scholarship at the same time. Do not wait — apply to all you qualify for before each deadline.

Apply on National Scholarship Portal

One-stop govt portal for 50+ central & state scholarships

>> scholarships.gov.in

Track payment via PFMS

Check disbursement status for any NSP scholarship

>> pfms.nic.in

Data verified from National Scholarship Portal (scholarships.gov.in), official state portals, and organisation websites. Amounts and deadlines are verified for 2026–27 where available; some schemes are yet to announce 2026–27 dates — marked 'Varies' or 'Rolling'. Always confirm current deadlines and amounts directly on the official portal before applying. This guide is for reference only.

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