SPECIAL SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME FOR THE CANDIDATES OF UNION TERRITORIES OF JAMMU & KASHMIR AND LADAKH DURING
ACADEMIC YEAR 2020-21

ABOUT THE SCHEME:

An Expert Group was constituted by the Prime Minister on 18th August, 2010 in the context of enhancing employment opportunities among youths of UTs of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh to formulate job plan involving public and private sectors. Every year fresh scholarships were given to UTs of J&K and Ladakh candidates to pursue undergraduate studies outside the UTs for improving their skills by providing access to education. Scheme was started in 2011 and modified from time to time to make the scheme student friendly. The scheme envisages to build capacities of the youth of J&K and Ladakh to enable them to compete in the normal course. Scholarship is awarded to meet the expenditure towards Academic Fees and Maintenance Allowances (for hostel, mess, cost of books and other incidental charges) to candidates who are admitted through AICTE's counseling process.

1. NUMBER OF SCHOLARSHIPS, ACADEMIC FEE & MAINTENANCE EXPENSES:

❖ Scholarship towards academic fee will be reimbursed directly to Institution as per actual or as per maximum fee permitted by State Fee Regulatory Authority or ceiling fixed under PMSSS for different streams of education, whichever is less and within overall ceiling of the guidelines. All the Institutions may note that upper ceiling of Academic Fee reimbursable by AICTE shall be at actuals for all the components taken together with a maximum ceiling of Rs. 1,25,000/- for Professional Streams which includes Engineering, Pharmacy, Nursing, HMCT, Architecture; Rs. 30,000/- and for General Stream and Rs. 3,00,000 for Medical Stream. Even if the institute total fee is more than the ceiling, neither AICTE shall reimburse extra amount nor institute can charge to the students.

❖ The ceiling for maintenance expenses will be Rs. 1.00 lakh per annum for all streams and will be paid through PFMS mechanism in candidates account directly. Maintenance during first year will be released in 9(Nine) instalments i.e. first instalment of Rs. 20,000/ on verification of joining report by the Institute and eight monthly instalments of Rs. 10,000/ per month. The release of the monthly instalments would be subject to online verification of student's attendance by the concerned institute every month. If the absence of student is not communicated before 15th of the concerned month, it will be assumed that student is present for the month and monthly emoluments shall be transferred into students account. The responsibility of not communicating absence of the student shall be vested in the college administration.

❖ The maintenance expenses instalments in the following year will be released subject to online submission of continuation/promotion certificate by the Head of the Institution.

❖ The maintenance expenses include: hostel, mess, cost of books and other incidental charges etc. Maximum payable amount to student is Rs. 1,00,000/- per annum and will be disbursed in the students saving bank account directly by the AICTE through PFMS mode. In case institute hostel and mess charges are higher, the students will be required to pay the balance amount.

Stream	Academic Fee Limits (Upto)	Maintenance Charges Limits	Number of Scholarships
General Degree	Rs. 30,000/-		2070
Professional/Engineering/Nursing/Pharmacy/ Architecture/HMCT Degree	Rs.1.25 Lakh	Uniformly Rs.1.00 Lakh for all	2830
Medical Degree - MBBS/ BDS/ BAMS/BHMS	Rs.3.00 Lakh		100
Total No. of Scholarships			5000

Note: Saving Bank Account of the student should be **seeded with AADHAR Number and in the name of the bonafide student only**. Candidates may note that Bank Accounts should not be a "**No-frill Account**" /**Minor Account, Parents' Account /Joint account/Non-Operative account** etc.

2. ELIGIBILITY:

❖ Candidates having domicile of Union Territories of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh.

❖ Students must have passed 12th examination from JKBose or CBSE affiliated schools located in J&K and Ladakh in academic year 2018-19 or 2019-20 only.

❖ Having family income of Rs. 8.00 Lakh or less per annum.

❖ Candidate must apply on line and register themselves on the portal of AICTE on or before the last date.

❖ Common merit list will be prepared for the candidates passed HSC (10+2) examination in the academic year 2018-19 and 2019-20.

❖ Candidates who want to take admission under Lateral Entry Scheme have to pass Diploma in Engineering from the Polytechnic Institutes recognised by J&K Directorate of Technical Education(DTE) during Academic Year not earlier than 2018-19 from the UTs of J&K and Ladakh.

❖ Admission under Lateral Entry Scheme will be subject to vacant seats available during academic year 2019-20 in Engineering Stream only.

❖ Common merit list will be prepared for the candidates passed Diploma examination in the academic year 2018-19 and 2019-20 for admission under Lateral Entry.

❖ Separate merit list(provisional) will be prepared for HSC and Lateral Entry students and the same will be displayed on portal of AICTE for on-line counselling.

❖ AICTE will not entertain any modifications in the marks after the final merit list of students is displayed on the portal of AICTE for on-line counselling.

3. INSTITUTES / COLLEGES PARTICIPATING:

❖ Admission will be offered to the candidates in selected pool of well performing institutions / colleges / universities, which are recognized by AICTE or approved by UGC under Section 12(B) or respective Regulatory Bodies of Government of India only, which are fulfilling following criteria:

❖ All NAAC, NBA accredited, NIRF, Government Institutions/Colleges having hostel facilities and any other good institution identified in advance and listed with the prior approval of Chairman, AICTE.

❖ All AICTE approved institutions having at least 50% enrolment in the North and North-Western States (Himachal Pradesh, Punjab, Chandigarh, Haryana, Delhi, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand) and with at least 80% or more enrolment in the rest of the country excluding UTs of J&K and Ladakh.

❖ Hostel facility criteria is to be relaxed for General Stream courses or any other quality institution located in Delhi, Mumbai, Bangalore, Pune and Hyderabad etc.

❖ Chairman, AICTE is authorized to take final decision and relax conditions, if any.

3.1 ADMISSION IN IITs/ NITs AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS OF NATIONAL IMPORTANCE:

❖ Aspirants desiring to take admission through JEE Mains/JEE Advance in IITs, NITs, IISc, IISER and centrally funded institutions with national importance may be considered, if student participates in online counselling by filling their JEE Mains/JEE Advance roll numbers with respective admit card and result.

❖ All Medical aspirants seeking admission in BDS/MBBS streams are required to appear in NEET examinations and get qualified for admission. However, they should initially register on AICTE portal by submitting their complete details including NEET roll number and get their documents verified by Facilitation Centre as per the procedure. After securing their admission to college through NEET counselling, they are required to upload their allotment letter along with NEET score card and joining report to become eligible for the scholarship.

❖ Aspirants seeking admission in Architecture programme are required to qualify NATA and their admission to Architecture course through AICTE portal would be confirmed after uploading their NATA result and admit card.

❖ Aspirants seeking admission in Integrated Law Course (B.A.LLB) are required to qualify CLAT and their admission to law course through AICTE portal would be confirmed after uploading their CLAT result and admit card. Admission in the law course in **National Law Schools** will be considered.

3.2 EXCLUSIONS:

Categories of Candidates NOT eligible under the PMSSS :

a) Candidates pursing courses through Open Universities.

b) Student already availing benefit of PMSSS.

c) Candidates gaining admission through 'Management Quota'.

d) Candidates pursuing Diploma course.

e) Candidates pursuing Post Graduate level studies, in any discipline.

f) Candidates having family income over Rs. 8.00 Lakh per annum.

g) Not applied through online registration in the AICTE Portal.

h) Taking admission in the Colleges other than the prescribed colleges given in AICTE Portal.

i) **Admission through Agents / NGOs.**

j)   Candidates admitted to institutions / courses which is not approved under 12(B) of UGC Act or AICTE or by respective regulatory body.

4. ONLINE REGISTRATION PROCESS DURING ACADEMIC YEAR 2020-21:

A. Admission under 10+2 Scheme

Candidates who have passed 10+2 examination from JKBOSE or CBSE affiliated schools located in UTs of J&K and Ladakh in the academic year 2018-19 and 2019-20 can only submit their application on AICTE Portal for registration of the scheme. Candidates are advised to fill exact particulars as furnished at the time of registration for class 10+2 examination. Candidates whose credentials do not match with the particulars available in AICTE-portal will not be able to register online. On successful registration, eligible candidates will be issued username and password to fill online form on AICTE Portal.

B. Admission under Lateral Entry Scheme

All eligible diploma passed candidates in Engineering Stream from the Polytechnic Institutes affiliated with UTs of J&K and Ladakh Technical Board during AY 2018-19 onwards have to follow same procedure for registration, verification of documents and choice filling. The availability of seats is based on the vacancy in Engineering stream in AY 2019-20 under PMSSS.

4.1   STEPS TO BE TAKEN DURING REGISTRATION:

4.1.1. Candidates would be required to upload the following documents:

a) Passport Size photograph (200 x 230 pixels – preferred)

b) Scanned Signature (140 x 60 pixels – preferred)

c) Domicile certificate issued by UTs of J&K and Ladakh

d) SSC Marksheet

e) Family income certificate (Issued by Tehsildar or equivalent)

f) Bank Details of student : Students individual account (joint account/no frill account/inoperative account, parents account, joint account is not valid)

g) AADHAR Number

h) Category certificate (issued by the Competent Authority of the State Government)

i) Persons with Disabilities (PwD) must upload Disability Certificate.(40% and above)

j) Candidates who are already availing the benefits of PMSSS are not eligible to apply.

- ❖ Student is required to give preference of the course which he / she intend to pursue i.e. General or Professional or Medical stream.

- ❖ General Stream includes admission to B.A./B.Com./B.Sc./B.Sc.(Hon.)/ BBA/BCA etc.

- ❖ Professional courses include B.E./B.Tech. / B. Pharmacy /B. Architecture/Hotel Management & Catering Technology/ B.Sc.(Nursing).

- ❖ Medical Streams include MBBS / B.D.S./BAMS and Allied Medicinal Courses.

- ❖ Bank details seeded with AADHAR to be submitted at the time of registration to be verified by the Facilitation Center.

    (i) Upload scanned copy of AADHAR Card of the Student (if any)

    (ii) Upload scanned copy of the first two pages of Bank Passbook/Cancelled cheque clearly indicating following:

      (i) Name of Accounts Holder

      (ii) Name and Address of the Bank

      (iii) Saving Bank Account No.

      (iv) IFSC Code and MICR Code

  Note: Saving Bank Account should be seeded with AADHAR Number and in the name of the bonafide student only. Candidates may note that Bank Accounts should not be a "No-frill Account" /Minor Account, Parents' Account /Non-Operative account, joint account etc.

4.2 DOCUMENT VERIFICATION and CHOICE FILLING:

The applicant is required to get his / her uploaded documents verified with the originals at the nearest Facilitation Centre set-up by UTs of J&K and Ladakh and get it verified and uploaded with stamp on portal of Facilitation Centres. After document verification from the facilitation center the candidate should collect the copy of document verification report without fail. The choice filling window would be activated for only those candidates having successfully registered and got their documents verified at any one of the Facilitation Centres. The choice filling window will be blocked on the last date, after that no change would be allowed in order of preference. The merit list will be displayed subject to the declaration of result.

4.3 COUNSELING MECHANISM:

- ❖ Allotment of all the seats will be done through online counselling only.

❖ No admission will be allowed in any circumstances without participation in online counselling and colleges available for choice filling.

❖ List of Institutions / Universities where admissions offered would be prepared and will be displayed in candidate's login for choice filling. Eligible candidates under the Scheme are directed to choose the courses from these Institutions/ Universities only. **It may be noted that "No Scholarship" will be paid to the candidates who take admission in other than the list of Institutions/ Universities available on the portal of AICTE except MBBS/ BDS /allied medicinal courses/Central/State Govt. for which supernumerary quota is not available.**

❖ Merit list of candidates based on the marks obtained in CBSE/JKBOSE will be displayed well before the first round of counselling result.

5. RESERVATION:

The reservation norms as prescribed for the UTs of J&K and Ladakh (subject to intimation from UTs of J&K and Ladakh) in respect of SC, ST and Socially and Economically Backward Classes (SEBC) are followed for providing scholarship under the Scheme. The break-up is given below:-

a) **SC – 8%**
b) **ST – 10%**
c) **Socially and Economically backward classes (other than Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes – 22%:**
    (i)   Weak & under privileged classes/social caste (OCS) 4%
    (ii)   Resident of backward area (RBA)   10%
    (iii)   Resident of areas adjoining actual line of   4%
                control (ALC)/ International Border (B)
    (iv)   Pahari Speaking People   4%
d) Economically Weaker Sections (EWS)   10%

AVAILABILITY OF SEATS UNDER DIFFERENT CATEGORIES / STREAMS

CASTE	PROFESSIONAL	GENERAL	MEDICAL	TOTAL
SC (8%)	226	166	8	400
ST (10%)	283	207	10	500
SEBC (22%)	623	455	22	1100
Open / General*	1698	1242	60	3000
TOTAL	2830	2070	100	5000

*10% EWS quota has been included in Open / General Category as the maximum family income ceiling under the Scheme is Rs. 8,00,000/- or less.**

Note: 4% Horizontal reservation is provided for Physically Handicapped (PwD: (Disability above 40%)), as per Central Government Norms.

6. DISBURSEMENT PROCEDURE:

➢ STEPS TO BE TAKEN BY STUDENT FOR DBT:

a) After joining the institution, the student has to immediately upload his/her college joining report (in the prescribed format available on website under PMSSS 2020-2021 tab) before the last date of joining is over. The student is required to login to AICTE portal using their credentials which has already been created by them at the time of application submission process under PMSSS.

b) The joining report will be verified by the Institution post which candidate has to fill and upload the following documents to start the disbursement procedure. Fill all the necessary information in Basic Details Tab, Institute Details Tab & Bank Details Tab.

➢ STEPS TO BE TAKEN BY INSTITUTE:

For processing of scholarship, the institute needs to perform the below mentioned task for taking the benefit of academic fee in their account. The annual academic fee would be credited in the institute account directly which is in the name of institution and their details are submitted to AICTE. The fee would be released based on SFRC (State Fee Regulatory Committee/Authority) applicable to that particular batch/course with the maximum limit as per scheme guidelines.

a) College will upload documents for claiming Academic Fee. If the institute is admitting PMSSS candidates for the first time they should apply for the issuance of User ID & Password by clicking at: https://www.aicte-india.org/bureaus/jk/2020-2021.

b) If the institute has already admitted candidates under PMSSS, then you may use the old User ID & Password and submit SFRC and other documents as per norms.

c) Login on to AICTE's J&K Portal using authorized "User Id" & "Password', sent on your official email address.

d) Fill in the necessary information & upload documents namely in 3 tabs: Institute Details, Bank Details and Fee Details.

e) The following documents are to be uploaded in Institute login:

(i) College Fee Structure/Academic fee (in the prescribed format available on AICTE portal: https://www.aicte-india.org/bureaus/jk/2020-2021)

(ii) Fee as per SFRC (State Fee Regulatory Committee/Authority) / State Govt. issued fee fixation document.

(iii) Mandate Form - Institution accounts details (format available on website under PMSSS 2020-21 tab)

(iv) Passbook Copy/Cancelled cheque clearly indicating bank name, Account holders Name, Account Number, IFSC code, MICR Code , Bank Address.

(v) The Institution bank account should not be in the name **Trust/Society**.

f) Finally click on Submit Button.

Scholarships will be disbursed through PFMS Mechanism only after joining the institute and uploading the joining report along with other required documents including AADHAR Number on AICTE, PMSSS portal through their login.

"DO NOT" share your login credentials with anyone. (including cyber-centres)

IMPORTANT WEB LINKS	
Institutions not having username and password for PMSSS should fill online form linked at	https://www.aicte-india.org/bureaus/jk/2020-2021
Details of the Scheme	https://www.aicte-india.org/bureaus/jk/2020-2021
Grievance Portal	https://www.aicte-jk-scholarship-gov.in/
For any other registration and technical related query	jkadmission2020@aicte-india.org or helpdesk1@aicte-india.org

Note: Selection of Students for the scholarship will be strictly based on 10+2 marks secured and as per the approved procedure for 2020-21. The student is advised to not to share his/her login credentials with anyone.

WARNING: Students are requested not to entertain any Agent, who offers him/her seats in the name of PMSSS. Please report such matter immediately to the Secretary, Higher Education, Union Territories of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh or Nodal Officers appointed by Union Territories of J&K and Ladakh / Police.

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