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HOME DEPARTMENT

No. 37439/Polt., Bhubaneswar dated.

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From,

Sri Srinibas Behera, IAS
Additional Secretary to Government.

To,

The Principal Secretary to Government
Skill Development and Technical Education Department.

The Principal Secretary to Government
Higher Education Department.

The Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Government
School and Mass Education Department.

Sub: Publicity for Merit Scholarship for children of Ex-Servicemen/Widows.
Madam/Sir,

It is a pleasure to inform you that the Govt. of Odisha have introduced a number of welfare schemes in the recent past out of the Amalgamated Fund for Ex-Servicemen, Widows and their dependents settled in the State of Odisha. But over the years, the response from the Ex-Servicemen/Widows for availing benefits from these welfare schemes is not very encouraging, particularly for Scholarship Schemes, which might be due to lack of awareness among the Ex-Servicemen/Widows.

Keeping in view the above, it is requested that the Educational Institutions under your Department may be directed to give wide publicity to the Scholarship Schemes among the children of Ex-Servicemen/ Widows so that maximum numbers of children could be benefitted out of it.

A detailed guideline on eligibility criteria, amount of Scholarship, procedure for submission of application etc. is enclosed as Annexure to this letter.

Encls : -As above

Yours faithfully,

Additional Secretary to Government



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all concerned
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AMALGAMATED FUND MERIT SCHOLARSHIP

1. **Introduction.** The scheme was introduced in the year 2000 with a view to encourage the children of Ex-Servicemen/widows for pursuing their higher technical and professional education.
2. **Eligibility Criteria for Scholarship.** The dependent children of ESM below Officers rank i.e. Junior Commissioned Officers/Other Ranks who are permanent resident of Odisha are eligible to apply for the scholarship.
3. **Courses, Numbers of Scholarships, Amount and Selection Procedure**
 - (a) **+2 Level Merit Scholarships.** The applicants should have passed Matriculation Exam (BSE/CBSE/ICSE) with minimum 55% marks and taken admission in +2 Science/Arts/Commerce Streams. The cut off marks for applying scholarship for the candidates from undivided Koraput, Bolangir and Kalahandi districts is 45% & 55% for remaining Districts. A total 60 Nos. of Scholarships will be selected on the basis of marks secured in Class-X Exam. The rate of Scholarship is Rs 12,000/- per annum for both boys and girls. This will be in addition to any scholarship awarded by the State Govt.
 - (b) **Diploma Level Scholarships.** There are 25 number of scholarships awarded for Diploma level courses i.e. Diploma in Engg, Diploma in Pharmacy, Diploma in Elementary Edn & Trg, Auxiliary Nursing Midwifery (ANM) etc. The candidates will be selected on the basis of marks secured in last qualifying exam i.e. Matriculation for Direct Entry Diploma Engg, 10+2 for Diploma in Elementary Edn and 10+2/ITI for Lateral Entry Diploma Engg. Candidates having minimum 50% marks in last qualifying exam are only eligible to apply for scholarship. The rate of scholarship is Rs 12,000/-per year. This will be in addition to any State Govt. Scholarship.
 - (c) **Degree Level Professional Courses and MCA & MBA.** There are 30 numbers of scholarships in professional Degree level courses including MCA and MBA irrespective of streams. A common merit list will be prepared and first 30 applicants irrespective of streams are to be considered. The candidates will be selected on the basis of percentage of marks secured in Entry Level Qualifications. The candidates having minimum 55% marks in 10+2 or Diploma, as applicable, are only eligible to apply for Degree Level courses and 50% marks in Graduation for PG courses. Further, if anyone gets Prime Minister's Scholarship, he/she will not be considered and the next candidate in order of merit will be considered. The rate of scholarship is Rs 18,000/-pa. This will be in addition to State Govt. Scholarships.
4. **Procedure for submission of application.** Candidates are required to submit Application in the prescribed format along with bonafide studentship certificate (available in Zilla Sainik Boards/Rajya Sainik Board) duly completed in all respect with their respective Zilla Sainik Boards latest by **30 Nov each year.**