

Scholarship Scheme 2006-07 under the Customs & Central Excise Welfare Fund of C.B.E.C.

Scholarship Scheme 2006-07 is a scheme for reimbursement of fees, paid by departmental officials for professional education at under graduate level of their children and are eligible to receive financial assistance under the Customs & Central Excise Welfare Fund in the following fields of study.

- (i) Engineering including architecture, Computers/Information technology
- (ii) Medical including Dental, Veterinary, Pharmacy, Homeopathy, Ayur-vedic and Unani medicines)
- (iii) Law
- (iv) Hotel Management
- (v) Fashion Technology
- (vi) Under graduate courses covered by Indian Council of Agriculture Research (ICAR) Entrance Test.
- (vii) Business Administration/ Computer Applications

2. Definitions:

(i) Eligibility criterion:

The term shall mean obtaining admission in institutes / colleges on the basis of obtaining a minimum rank in an Entrance Examination as given in Table-I or on the basis of merit (percentage of marks obtained in 12th standard Board Exams) as given in Table-II or admissions under Lateral Entry Scheme (after Diploma Course in Engineering only) for Track-III only.

(ii) Fees:

The term fees shall mean all charges paid to the college/institute in connection with the academics excluding refundable caution/security money, lodging and boarding expenses.

(iii) Track:

The scheme operates on three tracks designed in consideration of the salaries drawn by different officers, which are as follows:-

Track I: Scheme for children of officials in the pay scale starting at Rs. 12,000/- and above.

Track-II: Scheme for children of officials in the pay scale starting at Rs. 6,500/- but less than Rs. 12,000/-

Track III: Scheme for children of officials in the pay scale starting below Rs. 6,500/-.

III-(A): Departmental officials other than Drivers and Group-D staff.

III-(B): Drivers and Group-D staff of the department.

Performance standards

Performance standards mean obtaining the minimum percentage or grade in the annual examinations in first attempt while pursuing the under graduate level course.

Track	% marks or equivalent grades	
	Boys	Girls
Track-I	60	55%
Track-II	55	50%
Track-III-A (other than Drivers & Group-D staff)	55	50%
Track-III-B (Drivers & Group-D staff)	Pass marks	
For SC/ST categories (All Tracks)	10% less than other categories for Track-I, Track-II & Track III-A and minimum pass marks for Track III-B	
For OBC categories	6% less than other categories for Track-I, Track-II & Track III-A and minimum pass marks for Track III-B	
For physically challenged children.	Pass mark for all Tracks.	

(iv) First year:

First year of education in the under graduate course.

(vi) Later year:

Second year and all later years of education in the under graduate course.

3. Applicability of Scheme:

The scheme is applicable to the following categories:

- (i) Fees paid for first year on the basis of Entrance Tests held in the year 2006.
- (ii) Fees paid for later years on the basis of Entrance Tests held prior to the year 2006.

4. Award of scholarships

The scholarship shall be awarded to children who meet the eligibility criterion

contained in Table-I and Table-II and meeting the performance standards as at para 2 (iv).

(A) Reimbursement of fees for first year:

The eligibility for reimbursement of fees for the first year by way of grant of scholarships for admissions in various Institutes/ Univ. shall be as given in Table-I (for admissions based on Entrance Tests where ranks are awarded) and Table-II (for admissions based Entrance Tests where ranks are not awarded and also on Merit i.e. percentage of marks in 12th std. Board Exam) below:

Table -I

(I) Admissions based on Entrance Tests where ranks are given

S. No.	Entrance Exam.	Institute	*Entrance Exam. Ranks/ Institutes				
			Track I		Track II		Track III-A, III-B
			Boy	Girl	Boy	Girl	Boy/ Girl
1.	IIT-JEE-2005	All IITs	All	All	All	All	All
		Others					
2.	On-line Test, BITS -2005	Pilani & other Centres	For BITS Pilani only	All	All	All	All
3.	AIEEE-2005	All NITs	NITs up to 10000 rank	NITs up to 15000 rank	All up to 20000 rank	All up to 30000 rank	All
4.	CEEE(Delhi)	NSIT/DCE	All	All	All	All	All
5	Any State Level Entrance Exam. for admission to engineering institute	All	up to 500 ranks	up to 750 ranks	up to 1000 ranks	up to 1500 ranks	All

6	University level Entrance Test (Engg. and medical	Aligarh Muslim Univ., Jamia Millia Islamia, Vellore Institute of Technology	All	All	All	All	All
7	All India Entrance Exam.	AIIMS	All	All	All	All	All
8.	All India PMT (CBSE)	All	All	All	All	All	All
9.	State Level (Medical)	All	All	All	All	All	All
10.	Test by National Council of Hotel Management & Catering Tech.,	All IHMs under NCHMCT	NIL		up to 750 ranks	up to 1125 ranks	All
11.	All India Entrance Tests for integrated course B.A. LLB	ILS, Pune, NLS, Bangalore, NALSAR, Hyderabad, National Law Univ.Jodhpur, NLIU Bhopal NUJS, Kolkatta, Symbiosis Pune	NLS Bangalore		All		All
12.	National Instt. of Design,	Ahmedabad	All		All		All
13.	Admission Test, Ministry of Textiles	All NIFTs	NIL		All		All
14.	Test conducted by ICAR	All	All		All		All
15.	Any	All other Govt recog. Engg/ Medical colleges	NIL		NIL		All
16.	BBA/BCA Entrance Exam. conducted by Universities/Institutes funded by Center/States Govts.	All	NIL		All		All

- *(i) In case of children of SC/ST/OBC categories of departmental officials under all Tracks, eligibility condition will be irrespective of any rank for those who get admission on the basis of Common Entrance Tests.**
- (ii) In case of physically challenged children (as per conditions enclosed) under all Tracks, eligibility condition will be irrespective of any rank for those who get admission on the basis of Common Entrance Tests.**

Table-II

(II) Admissions based on Merit (percentage of marks in 12th std. Board Exam) or on the basis of Entrance Tests where ranks are not given

S.No.	Track	Stream	Minimum % of Marks in 12th standard Board Exams	
			Boys	Girls
1.	I, II & III-A (other than Drivers, Gr.-D staff)	Science	85%	80%
		Commerce with Maths.		
		Others (Humanities)	75%	70%
2.	III-B (Drivers & Gr.-D staff)	All Streams	65%	60%
3.	All Tracks (in case of physically challenged children)	All streams	65%	60%
4.	For the children of SC/ST officials of all Tracks	10% less than as prescribed for the other categories.		
5.	For the children of OBC officials of all Tracks	6% less than as prescribed for the other categories.		

(III) Admission based under Lateral Entry.

Children of departmental officials of Track III (B) are also eligible for grant of scholarship who got their admission into B.E / B.Tech Degree courses into colleges/institutions funded by Centre / State Govts after Diploma through Lateral Entry Scheme (after Diploma Courses).

(B) Reimbursement for later years:

Children having got admission on the basis of Entrance Exam. prior to 2006 but have not been granted scholarship from the Welfare Fund in the past, shall be eligible to get the scholarship for subsequent years subject to meeting eligibility criterion defined in para 2(i) and performance standards laid in para 2(iv) herein, in the year for which reimbursement is being claimed.

Provided that children who have been granted the scholarship earlier from the Welfare Fund shall continue to get the scholarship in the later year/ years under Scholarship Scheme 2006-07 notwithstanding that they do not fulfill eligibility criterion contained in Table-I and Table-II. Grant of scholarship shall be subject to meeting the performance standards set in para 2(iv) herein.

5. Amount of Scholarships:

S.No.	Category of officers/ staff	Amount of scholarship
1.	Track-I & Track-II	Rs. 18,000/- or actual fee, whichever is less
2.	Track-III (A) other than Drivers and Group-D staff	Rs. 18,000/- or actual fee, whichever is less
3.	Track-III (B) Drivers & Group-D staff	Rs. 36,000/- or actual fee, whichever is less

6. Number of scholarships: 250 inclusive of

- (i) A maximum of 10 scholarships to candidates if found eligible otherwise as per Scholarship Scheme in each State where admissions to professional courses are made on the merit basis, without conducting Entrance Test/ Examination, or Entrance Test has been conducted but ranks are not declared;
- (ii) Candidates belonging to the children of SC/ST/OBC categories of the departmental officials, if found eligible otherwise, as per Scholarship Scheme.
- (iii) Cases of Lateral Entry admissions, if found eligible otherwise as per Scholarship Scheme, scholarship will be granted only if the number of scholarships are left to be awarded after all candidates found eligible in respect of admission on the basis of Entrance Tests and merit have been granted scholarship.

7. Income limit of parents:

Notwithstanding any of the provisions above, no scholarship shall be paid to a child if the combined emoluments of parents exceed Rs. 5.0 lac per annum, for

which purpose the emoluments will be taken to mean a sum of Basic pay, Dearness pay and Dearness allowance only.

8. Other general conditions of eligibility:

- (a) In case both husband and wife are working in the Customs and Central Excise department any one can apply for grant of scholarship to his/her ward(s)
- (b) If a serving official's child is covered under the scheme and becomes eligible for scholarship before his/her retirement , the scholarship shall continue even after retirement of the official as if the officer is in service subject to satisfying the eligibility criterion in all aspects;
- (c) Only two children of an official will be eligible to avail the scholarship. If subsequent beneficiaries are daughters, this restriction will not apply;
- (d) Amount of any other scholarship being received by an awardee will be deducted from the scholarship under the scheme;
- (e) The scheme will also be applicable to the children of deceased officials.

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Conditions for availing benefits for physically challenged (Handicapped) children.

The benefit under the scheme shall be applicable subject to the fulfillment of the following conditions besides minimum percentage as prescribed in the Table-II in the Cash Award Scheme-2007.

1. The benefit shall be applicable to the following three categories of disabilities:
 - (i) Blindness or low vision;
 - (ii) Hearing impairment and
 - (iii) Locomotor disability or cerebral palsy (includes all cases of orthopaedically handicapped persons)
2. The benefit shall be admissible for disability of 40% or above.
3. An attested copy of certificate of disability issued by State / Central Govt. Hospital or a competent authority as per reservation for physically handicapped persons shall be enclosed by the applicant along with the application for cash award.

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