

2) Attendance Scholarship to BC/EWS Primary Girl Students(State Plan Scheme)

Introduction

It has been observed that the number of Backward Classes and Economically weaker families are much less than their population in Educational Institutions because of heed to the education of their female child. It is a fact that if at all these girls are admitted in the schools, they leave their studies in between for so many reasons, i.e. to assist their parents to augment the family income by taking up menial jobs or for domestic work in the absence of their parents when they are away from home for doing labour work/jobs etc. Keeping these circumstances in view, the State Govt. decided to adopt some ways and means so that the dropout tendency is checked at primary stage of education.

Year of Start

The State Govt. introduced 'Scheme of Attendance Scholarship for Backward Classes and Economically Weaker families primary girl students'during 2011-12 which is being implemented successfully and the aim for which the scheme was introduced is being achieved by encouraging the Backward Classes and Economically weaker families girls for school education at primary level. From financial year 2020-21, budget allotment is transferred to Education Department from Department of Social Justice, Empowerment and minorities(Welfare department).

Norms & Conditions

Under this scheme, the attendance scholarship @ Rs. 50/- per month, per student for 10 months in a year is awarded to those Backward Classes and Economically Weaker families girls, who are domicile of Punjab State and studying in Primary classes subject to the following conditions:-

- 1) Annual income of the parents/guardians should not exceed Rs. 1,00,000/-
- 2) The parents/guardians do not have more than 5 acres of land.
- 3) Minimum 75% class attendance is required for award of scholarship.
- 4) The girl students, who are taking benefit out of any other scholarship scheme will not be covered under this scheme.

Process.

- 1) During each academic session,all schools will upload online data of each eligible girl students under the scheme on epunjab portal till October or November as per schedule.
- 2) After verifying scheme conditions concerned School head will approve the data online on epunjab portal as per schedule and forward to concerned District Education Officer
- 3) Concerned District Education Officer(EE) will approve the data online after verifying scheme conditions and forward to State Head Office..
- 4) State will online transfer the scholarship amount into the account of concerned DEO/DDO as per the data uploaded by districts.
- 5) Concerned District Education Officer(EE) will verify the condition no. 3 of Minimum 75% class attendance is required for award of scholarship before disbursing the amount/transferring scholarship amount to bank account of beneficiaries.
- 6) After disbursement concerned District Education Officer(EE) will send UC certificate to the State Head office.

Note:- In view of Covid-19,for academic session 2020-21 waive the condition no. 3 of Minimum 75% class attendance is required for award of scholarship