# General Eligibility Criteria for Scholarships:

## 1. Academic Performance:

- Minimum GPA or grade requirement (e.g., 3.0 on a 4.0 scale or equivalent).
- Strong academic achievements or rankings.

#### 2. Enrollment Status:

- Must be currently enrolled or planning to enroll in an accredited institution (high school, college, university, etc.).
- o Full-time or part-time student status.

# 3. Field of Study:

- Specific scholarships may target certain fields of study (e.g., STEM, Arts, Business).
- o Applicants must be pursuing a particular degree or program.

# 4. Demographic Criteria:

- o Age requirements (e.g., must be under a certain age).
- Gender, race, or ethnicity may be considered for scholarships aimed at underrepresented groups.
- Citizenship or residency status (e.g., must be a citizen or legal resident of a particular country).

#### 5. Financial Need:

- Scholarships may require proof of financial need (e.g., family income below a certain threshold).
- Submission of financial documents (tax returns, FAFSA, etc.) may be required.

# 6. Community Service or Extracurricular Involvement:

- Involvement in community service, volunteer work, or leadership roles.
- Participation in extracurricular activities such as sports, arts, or clubs.

# 7. Personal Background:

- Scholarships may be available to first-generation college students or those from disadvantaged backgrounds.
- Applicants may need to demonstrate overcoming adversity or unique personal challenges.

# 8. Essay or Personal Statement:

- Applicants may be required to submit an essay or personal statement detailing their goals, achievements, or reasons for applying.
- Topic may vary depending on the scholarship.

# 9. Letters of Recommendation:

- Submission of one or more letters of recommendation from teachers, employers, or community leaders.
- These letters should attest to the applicant's character, achievements, and potential.

#### 10. Test Scores:

- Some scholarships may require standardized test scores (e.g., SAT, ACT, GRE, etc.).
- o Certain minimum score thresholds may need to be met.

# 11. Special Criteria:

- Some scholarships may target specific populations, such as military veterans, athletes, or students with disabilities.
- Applicants may need to meet specific criteria related to their personal situation.

# 12. Geographic Location:

- o Residency in a specific region, state, or country may be required.
- Some scholarships are location-specific and only available to students from certain areas.

# 13. Previous Scholarship Recipients:

 Some scholarships may only be available to first-time applicants, while others may allow previous recipients to reapply.

# 14. Work or Internship Requirements:

 Certain scholarships may require recipients to complete internships, research, or community projects as part of the award.

## 15.Moral Character or Conduct:

 Applicants may need to demonstrate good moral character and adherence to certain ethical standards.

# **National-Level Scholarships**

Explore a wide range of scholarship programs available at the national level in India. These scholarships aim to support students across various communities, helping them pursue education at different levels, from primary to higher education.

## National Scholarship Portal (NSP) Scholarships

The National Scholarship Portal offers several scholarships for students from various backgrounds:

- **Pre-Matric Scholarships**: Designed for students from minority communities to support their education from classes 1 to 10.
- **Post-Matric Scholarships**: Available for students from minority communities, SC/ST students, and economically weaker sections pursuing education beyond class 10.
- **Merit-cum-Means Scholarships**: Aimed at students pursuing professional and technical courses, providing financial assistance based on merit and economic need.
- Central Sector Scheme of Scholarships for College and University Students: For meritorious students enrolled in college and university courses.
- **Prime Minister's Scholarship Scheme**: Offered to the wards of RPF/RPSF and Central Armed Police Forces & Assam Rifles personnel.
- National Means-cum-Merit Scholarship (NMMSS): Supports students in classes 9 to 12 from economically weaker sections, helping them continue their education.

#### **AICTE Scholarships**

The All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) offers several scholarships for students in the technical education field:

- **Pragati Scholarship**: Specifically for girl students pursuing technical education, encouraging them to excel in fields traditionally dominated by men.
- **Saksham Scholarship**: For differently-abled students to pursue technical education without financial barriers.
- AICTE PG (GATE/GPAT) Scholarship: Provides financial assistance to students
  pursuing post-graduate studies in engineering, architecture, and pharmacy, based on
  their GATE or GPAT scores.

### **UGC Scholarships**

The University Grants Commission (UGC) provides several scholarships to support students in higher education:

- **Ishan Uday Special Scholarship Scheme**: For students from the North Eastern Region, aimed at promoting higher education in this region.
- **PG Indira Gandhi Scholarship for Single Girl Child**: Encourages the education of single girl children by providing financial support for post-graduate studies.
- **PG Scholarship for SC/ST Students**: Supports SC/ST students pursuing professional courses at the post-graduate level.

#### **INSPIRE Scholarship**

The Innovation in Science Pursuit for Inspired Research (INSPIRE) program offers the **Scholarship for Higher Education (SHE)**, designed for students pursuing undergraduate and postgraduate studies in natural and basic sciences.

#### Maulana Azad National Fellowship

This fellowship is provided for students from minority communities who are pursuing M.Phil. or Ph.D. programs, ensuring they have the financial support to continue their research and studies.

# National Fellowship and Scholarship for Higher Education of ST Students

This scholarship program is designed for ST students pursuing higher education, providing financial aid to help them succeed in their academic endeavors.

## **KVPY** (Kishore Vaigyanik Protsahan Yojana)

KVPY is a scholarship program aimed at students interested in research careers. It encourages young minds to take up research in the fields of basic sciences, engineering, and medicine.

# **Steps to Apply:**

#### 1. Visit the National Scholarship Portal (NSP):

o Website: <a href="https://scholarships.gov.in">https://scholarships.gov.in</a>

#### 2. Register/Log In:

- o If you are a new user, you'll need to register by providing your details.
- o If you've registered before, simply log in using your credentials.

#### 3. Search for the Scholarship:

o After logging in, you can search for the "National Fellowship and Scholarship for Higher Education of ST Students" in the list of scholarships available.

# 4. Fill in the Application Form:

- o Provide all the required details, including personal information, academic information, and bank details.
- Upload the necessary documents such as your ST certificate, educational certificates, and income certificate.

# 5. Submit the Application:

- o Review the information you've entered, and then submit the application.
- o After submission, make sure to note down the application ID for future reference.

#### **Documents Needed:**

- ST Certificate
- Income Certificate
- Educational Certificates
- Bank Passbook
- **Aadhar Card** (or other identity proof)

# **Karnataka State-Level Scholarships:**

# 1. Vidya Siri Scholarship

- **Eligibility**: For students belonging to SC/ST, OBC, and other minority communities. Applicable to students pursuing post-matric education.
- **Purpose**: To provide financial assistance for hostel fees, tuition fees, and other educational expenses.

#### 2. Karnataka Post-Matric Scholarship

- Eligibility: For SC/ST students and economically weaker sections (EWS) students pursuing education beyond Class 10.
- Purpose: To cover tuition fees, maintenance allowances, and other academic expenses.

## 3. Karnataka Pre-Matric Scholarship for SC/ST Students

- o **Eligibility**: For SC/ST students studying in Classes 1 to 10.
- **Purpose**: To encourage school education among SC/ST students by providing financial aid for school fees, books, and uniforms.

#### 4. Pragati Scholarship for Girls

- Eligibility: For girl students from economically weaker sections (EWS) pursuing technical education (Diploma/Degree) in Karnataka.
- o **Purpose**: To support and encourage girls to pursue technical education.

## 5. Karnataka MHRD Scholarship

- Eligibility: For meritorious students from Karnataka pursuing higher education in technical and professional courses.
- Purpose: Financial assistance for tuition fees, books, and other educational expenses.

## 6. Minorities Welfare Scholarship (Moulana Azad Scholarship)

- **Eligibility**: For students belonging to minority communities (Muslim, Christian, Sikh, Buddhist, Parsi, and Jain) studying in Class 1 to Ph.D.
- **Purpose**: To support minority students in completing their education by providing financial assistance.

#### 7. Incentive for Minority Students of Karnataka

- **Eligibility**: For students belonging to minority communities who have scored high marks in SSLC (10th) or PUC (12th).
- o **Purpose**: To encourage meritorious students from minority communities by providing financial incentives.

#### 8. Karnataka Epass Scholarship

- Eligibility: For SC/ST/OBC students pursuing post-matriculation education.
- Purpose: To cover tuition fees, maintenance allowance, and other educational expenses.

## 9. Karnataka Farmers Child Scholarship

- **Eligibility**: For children of farmers studying in higher secondary or pursuing higher education.
- o **Purpose**: To provide financial support to farmers' children for their education.

#### 10. Sainik School Scholarship

- o **Eligibility**: For students studying in Sainik Schools in Karnataka.
- **Purpose**: Financial assistance for tuition fees, uniforms, and other educational expenses for students in Sainik Schools.

#### 11. Scholarship for Students of Karnataka Board of Wakf

- **Eligibility**: For students belonging to the Muslim community pursuing various courses from primary to postgraduate levels.
- o **Purpose**: To provide financial aid to Muslim students for their education.

## 12. Karnataka Labour Welfare Board Scholarships

- Eligibility: For the children of workers registered under the Karnataka Labour Welfare Board.
- **Purpose**: To provide financial assistance to children of registered workers to support their education.

# **Application Portals:**

- Karnataka State Scholarship Portal: https://ssp.karnataka.gov.in/
- Karnataka Epass Portal: https://karepass.cgg.gov.in/
- Minorities Welfare Department Karnataka: http://gokdom.kar.nic.in/

# 1. Karnataka State Scholarship Portal (SSP):

- **Portal**: SSP Karnataka
- Scholarships:
  - Vidya Siri Scholarship
  - o Karnataka Post-Matric Scholarship
  - o Karnataka Pre-Matric Scholarship for SC/ST Students
  - o Incentive for Minority Students of Karnataka
  - o Pragati Scholarship for Girls (for state technical institutions)
  - Karnataka Farmers Child Scholarship
  - Most other state scholarships

# 2. Karnataka Epass Portal:

- **Portal**: Karepass
- Scholarships:
  - o Karnataka Post-Matric Scholarship
  - o Karnataka Pre-Matric Scholarship for SC/ST Students
  - Karnataka Epass Scholarship (SC/ST/OBC)

#### 3. Minorities Welfare Department Karnataka:

- Portal: Minorities Welfare Department Karnataka
- Scholarships:
  - o Minorities Welfare Scholarship (Moulana Azad Scholarship)
  - o Scholarship for Students of Karnataka Board of Wakf
  - o Incentive for Minority Students of Karnataka