

Government of Odisha

Department of Higher Education

Principle and procedure of the Scheme “*Financial Assistance to Meritorious 12th Pass Students for Purchase of Laptop, 2021*” disbursed under “*Biju Yuva Sashaktikaran Yojana*”.

The Government in Higher Education Department, Odisha has been distributing free laptops to the 12th pass out meritorious students since the year 2013. The Scheme has undergone various modifications since its inception so as to make it more student centric, faster & transparent. The year wise modifications made and adopted thereafter have been reflected below in brief:

Year	Modification adopted
Year 2013	Top 15000 +2(Annual Higher Secondary Examination), conducted by CHSE, Odisha , pass out students from Arts, Science & Commerce Stream only were eligible to get free laptops.
Year 2015 & 2016	Vocational students passing from CHSE, Odisha and Upashastri Students passing from Shree Jagannath Sanskrit University, Puri were included to get the benefit.
Year 2019	(i) To ensure equal representation of students from all districts in the list of beneficiary of the scheme, District instead of the whole State, was taken as a unit for preparing list of meritorious students. (ii) The allocation for SC and ST students were made according to the 16.25% and 22.50% respectively of total district quota while preparing the district wise list.
Year 2020	The Scheme was converted to Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) scheme, whereby Rs 30,000/- are being transferred directly to the bank account of beneficiary student instead of providing Laptop.
Year 2021	The method of selection of beneficiary is same as that of the year 2020 with some minor modifications, detail of which has been provided in the upcoming paragraphs.

- **Method of selection of beneficiary for the year 2021:**

To make the stream wise, category wise and district wise allotment more accurate, the allotment approved by the EFC (Expenditure Finance Committee) in its meeting held on 28.05.2013 and earlier decisions taken by Government from time to time have been taken into consideration and the allotments have been made as mentioned below.

The allocation approved by the EFC (Expenditure Finance Committee) in its meeting held on 28.05.2013 was as follows:

	General Students	SC/ST Students	Base Number
Arts	3100	2300	5400
Science	5000	2000	7000
Commerce	1500	500	2000
Vocational	100	100	200
Sanskrit	300	100	400
Total	10000	5000	15000

The allocation earmarked to SC & ST students in a particular stream is bifurcated between SC and ST as per the ratio 16.25:22.5, which is also the reservation ratio in employment in the State.

For e.g.: The allocation earmarked to SC & ST in Arts stream is 2300. The allocation for SC will be $\{16.25/(16.25+22.5)\} * 2300 = 965$ and that ST will be $2300 * 22.5 / 38.75 = 1335$.

Accordingly, the final Stream wise and Category wise allocation has been prepared as per the table below:-

Stream and category wise allocation of number

	General Students	SC Students	ST Students	Base Number
ARTS	3100	$2300 * 16.25 / 38.75 = 965$	$2300 * 22.5 / 38.75 = 1335$	5400
SCIENCE	5000	$2000 * 16.25 / 38.75 = 839$	$2000 * 22.5 / 38.75 = 1161$	7000
COMMERCE	1500	$500 * 16.25 / 38.75 = 210$	$500 * 22.5 / 38.75 = 290$	2000
VOCATIONAL	100	$100 * 16.25 / 38.75 = 42$	$100 * 22.5 / 38.75 = 58$	200
SANSKRIT	300	$100 * 16.25 / 38.75 = 42$	$100 * 22.5 / 38.75 = 58$	400
TOTAL	10000	2098	2902	15000

Further, the stream wise and category wise pass out number of students have been collected from CHSE and SJSU. For equal representation of students of all districts in the merit list of beneficiary of the scheme, the beneficiaries have been selected basing on the respective district's pass proportion compared to the whole state, which is determined by dividing the Numbers of pass students of the particular stream and category of that district with the total numbers of students passed in the that particular stream and category in the whole state.

The formula for district wise allocation is:

District wise allocation for a particular stream = {Total pass of the district (category/Stream)/ Total pass of state (category/ stream)} * No of laptops/beneficiaries allocated for that (stream/ category)

For example:

CALCULATION FOR SCIENCE STREAM							
SL#	DISTRICT	SC PASS	ST PASS	GEN PASS	SC (839)	ST (1161)	GEN (5000)
A	B	C	D	E	F=(C/6726*839)	G=(D/6562*1161)	H=(E/50395*5000)
1	Angul	170	89	1597	21	16	158
2	Balasore	632	234	4545	79	41	451

While allotting nos. of beneficiaries to a particular stream/category of a particular district, it has been observed that same mark has been scored by more than one student at the end. In such cases, the decision of the Department regarding the cut off mark will be final.

Since, there may be some students who may apply to be included in the Scheme after re addition of marks/ change of caste/ any other reasons by virtue of which they could clear the respective cut off marks, 46 numbers of allocations have been reserved for the supplementary list, which will be published later. Therefore, now the primary list of 14,954 students has been released.

Procedure of selection and disbursal of the financial assistance:-

1. The list of meritorious students who pass the Annual Higher Secondary Examination(Arts/Science/Commerce) / Vocational Examination conducted by Council of Higher Secondary Examination (CHSE), Odisha, or Upashastri Examination conducted by Sri Jagannath Sanskrit Vishwavidyalaya, Puri are collected from CHSE, Odisha and SJSU, Puri respectively on the basis of merit under each category.
2. District wise, stream wise and category wise beneficiary list for this purpose are prepared from the information provided by the CHSE and SJSU as per the selection principle given above.
3. The list of eligible beneficiaries will be published in the Department's website as well as in the State Scholarship Portal, i.e., <https://scholarship.odisha.gov.in/>. The eligible beneficiary students will have apply through <https://scholarship.odisha.gov.in/> to received Rs.30,000 of Financial Assistance for Purchase of Laptop.
4. Soon after publication of beneficiary list of students, if any student finds that he/she is eligible as per the cut off marks published, but his/her name has not been included in the beneficiary list, he/she shall lodge a grievance in this regard before the concerned Principal. On consideration, if the grievance is found to be genuine, the Principal will send the grievance along with his/her recommendation to the Department to include the name of such student in the supplementary list. Such cases may arise due to enhancement of marks of students after re-addition of marks or change of category filled up during filling up the form for the examination or for any other reasons. A supplementary list of students will be published later to include such students, provided, there is surplus allotment.
