

**GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT**

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From:

Smt. Prativa Sahu, OAS (S)
Joint Secretary to Government

To:

All Departments of Government/
All State/Central Universities, Colleges having Odia course at UG & PG level

Sub: Revised Guidelines for the "Vyasakabi Fakir Mohan Bhasabruti Scheme" under Mukhyamantri Medhabi Chhatra Protsahan Yojana- Higher Education from the Academic Year 2024-25 onwards

Madam/Sir,

In partial modification of the Mukhyamantri Medhabi Chatra Protsahan Yojana - Higher Education Department, particularly for the sub-scheme component "Vyasakabi Fakir Mohan Bhasabruti Scheme", the revised guidelines for implementation from the Academic Year 2024-25 onwards are enclosed herewith. These revised guidelines shall form an integral part of the original scheme and are shared for general dissemination and necessary action.

All Universities are requested to circulate these guidelines to their affiliated educational institutions.

Additionally, all State/Central Universities and Colleges offering Odia courses at UG and PG levels are directed to provide their course details and AISHE Code for registration on the Odisha State Scholarship Portal at the earliest.

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Joint Secretary to Government

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Joint Secretary to Government

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He is requested to upload the guideline (copy attached) on the State Scholarship Portal. He is further requested to insert the following options in the institute login of each application form of "Vyasakabi Fakir Mohan Bhasabruti Scholarship (PG course)" from the Academic Year 2024-25 onwards.

- Total marks in Odia (Honours) paper of +3 course
- Marks secured by the applicant in Odia (Honours) paper
- Percentage secured by the applicant in Odia (Honours) paper

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Deputy Secretary to Government

Revised Guidelines for the “Vyasakabi Fakir Mohan Bhasabruti Scheme”
under Mukhyamantri Medhabi Chatra Protsahan Yojana- Higher
Education from the Academic Year 2024-25

1. Introduction

The Government of Odisha, recognizing the vital role of language in preserving cultural identity and heritage, has introduced the sub component "Vyasakabi Fakir Mohan Bhasabruti" Scholarship Program under Mukhyamantri Medhabi Chhatra Protsahan Yojana-Higher Education. This initiative underscores the state's commitment to promote and enhance the Odia language.

The scholarship aims to nurture academic excellence in the field of Odia language studies by encouraging meritorious students to pursue higher education in Odia at undergraduate and postgraduate levels. By providing financial support to eligible candidates, the scheme seeks to inspire a new generation of scholars who will contribute to the enrichment and sustainability of the Odia language, fostering its growth and ensuring its relevance in contemporary academia.

2. Key Features and Eligibility Criteria for the Scheme:

a. Scholarship Amount:

From the academic year 2024-25, a one-time financial grant of Rs.20,000/- at U.G. level & Rs.30,000/- at P.G. level shall be awarded to eligible students.

b. Eligibility Criteria:

In order to be eligible to get the scholarship under the scheme, students have to fulfil following conditions:-

- **U.G. Level:** All students (irrespective of their domicile) who have obtained a minimum of 70% marks in aggregate in the +2 Examination conducted by the CHSE, Odisha, or any other equivalent board and enrolled in +3 Arts with Odia as the Honours/ Core/ Major subject in any of the Universities, Degree Colleges or Autonomous Colleges in Odisha or outside State, are eligible to get this scholarship at the undergraduate level.
- **P.G. Level:** All students (irrespective of their domicile) who have obtained minimum of 60% marks in Odia Honours/ core/major during

their +3 Arts course and taken admission to M.A. (Odia) courses in any of the Universities, Degree Colleges or Autonomous Colleges in Odisha or outside State are eligible to get this scholarship at the postgraduate level.

c. This scholarship guideline shall supersede the previous scholarship guidelines issued by this Department in this regard. Students who are recipients of other scholarships may also apply for the Vyasakabi Fakir Mohan Bhasabruti Scholarship in addition to any other ongoing scholarship schemes. Applications for this scholarship shall be submitted during the first year of the course.

3. Selection Criteria:

a. Students studying UG with Odia Honours

Students pursuing a +3 Arts degree with Odia as their Honours/Core/ Major subject will be assessed based on their aggregate marks secured in the +2 examinations conducted by CHSE, Odisha, or any other recognized equivalent board.

b. Students studying PG in Odia

Students enrolled in the M.A. (Odia) program will be evaluated based on their marks in Odia Honours/Core/Major subjects in the final examinations of their +3 Arts course. The marks for Odia Honours/Core subjects, as entered and certified by the respective institute in the application form at the time of validation of forms in scholarship portal, will be considered for awarding the scholarship.

In the event of any errors made by the institute while entering marks in the application form, the institute will be held accountable. Responsibility for such errors will lie with the Nodal Officer and the Committee members of the scholarship cell of the concerned institute. Furthermore, if any eligible student is denied the scholarship due to such errors, the institute will be held accountable.

4. The institutions desiring to avail the benefits of this scheme, needs to be registered on the State Scholarship Portal.

5. Exclusion Criteria: Students pursuing higher education through distance learning or correspondence courses are not eligible under the scheme.

6. Required Documentation for the Scholarship:-

Applicants are required to upload clear and legible copies of the following documents when applying through the State Scholarship Portal-

a) Proof of Residency:

- a. A valid residence certificate issued by an authorized official, such as the concerned Tahasildar or Additional Tahasildar of the area.
- b. For students whose parents are employed by the Odisha State Government, a residence verification document from their employer may be submitted instead.
- c. Students residing and pursuing undergraduate or postgraduate studies outside Odisha must upload their nativity certificate/residence certificate.

b) Qualifying Exam Mark Sheets:

- a. Academic transcripts or mark sheets relevant to the scholarship eligibility criteria.

c) Bank Account Details:

- a. Details of an Aadhaar-linked and operational savings bank account.
- b. A scanned copy of the first page of the bank passbook displaying the account number and the bank's IFSC code.

d) College Identification:

- a. An official college ID card.
- b. In the absence of a college ID card, a letter duly validated by the college authorities, specifying the academic year, name and duration of the course, and the student's roll or registration number, must be uploaded.



Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Government

Higher Education Department