



GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY

DIRECTORATE OF SOCIAL WELFARE

No.2201/DSW/FO/VO-3/2015-16

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TIME-LINE ACTIVITIES UNDER MERIT CUM MEANS BASED SCHOLARSHIP FOR STUDENTS BELONGING TO MINORITY COMMUNITIES FOR BOTH FRESH AND RENEWAL FOR THE YEAR 2015-16

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2. The Merit-cum-Means Based Scholarship Scheme, is a Centrally Sector scheme of the Ministry of Minority Affairs, Government of India which seeks to provide scholarships to religious Minority students (Muslim, Christian, Sikh, Buddhist, Parsi and Jain) to pursue their professional and technical degrees. The Ministry of Minority Affairs has introduced a system namely, **Online Scholarship Management System (OSMS)** since 2011 under which students have to apply online under the Merit-cum Means Based Scholarship.

3. From this year 2015-16, the online implementation of the Merit-cum Means based Scholarship is to be applied, Online only through the common **National Scholarship Web Portal of the Government of India**, under URL www.scholarships.gov.in. **Only Online applications are accepted and request for accepting Offline applications will not be considered.** The list of courses covered under the scheme is listed in the above website.

4. The detailed time line for submission of applications is mentioned below:

Sl. No.	Activities	Date (Fresh)	Date (Renewal)
1.	Submission of online applications for Fresh / Renewal scholarship by the students.	01st June to 30th September, 2015	01st June to 15th November, 2015
2.	Scrutiny of online applications by Institute.	01st June to 20th October, 2015	01st June to 25th November, 2015
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5. Hence, the students belonging to minority community are hereby instructed to apply Online through the **National Scholarship Web Portal** under URL www.scholarships.gov.in and upload the necessary documents. The National Scholarship Web Portal provides uploading facility for uploading all required documents by the students. Uploading of documents are mandatory for Fresh and Renewal cases, Scrutiny of online applications will be on the basis of the uploaded documents only. **Without uploading of the necessary documents the application shall be liable to be rejected.** The institution on their part shall forward the application through online to our Department for scrutiny within the specified period.

6. For further details and clarification, the students and educational Institutions are requested to log on to www.scholarships.gov.in and click the sub-title **Services and 'Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)'** available on the homepage of the website for filling of Online Application.

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