

**Kanyashree Prakalpa
Govt. of West Bengal****About the Scheme :**

Kanyashree Prakalpa Scheme is an initiative launched by the **Department of Women Development and Social Welfare (DWD&SW)**, Government of West Bengal. It is a **conditional cash transfer scheme**, which aims at improving the status and wellbeing of female students. Besides, it also encourages families of girl children not to marry them off at a tender age and support them in higher education. Being a **West Bengal Government sponsored scheme**, it is implemented in all districts of the State.

Objectives :

The scheme aims at improving the status and well being of girl child by :

1. Discouraging early marriage of girls to ensure compliance with the legal provisions pertaining to the minimum age at marriage.
2. Incentivize through scholarships, the continuation of education of the girl child in Secondary and Higher Secondary classes and those undergoing vocational training or sports training.
3. Improving IMR and MMR by delaying the age of marriage and consequently increasing the median age of first birth
4. Reducing the incidence of drop outs, especially amongst girls from poor families.
5. Eradicating under nutrition and mal-nutrition of girl child.
6. Preventing trafficking and exploitation of the girl child.

Components of the Scheme:

The scheme has two components:

1. Annual Scholarship of Rs. 1000/- (Rupees One Thousand only)
2. One time Grant of Rs. 25,000/- (Rupees Twenty-five thousand only)

The Annual Scholarship is for unmarried girls aged 13-18 years enrolled in classes VIII-XII in government recognized regular or equivalent open school or equivalent vocational/technical training course.

The One-time Grant is for girls turned 18 at the time of application, enrolled in government recognized regular or open school/college or pursuing vocational/technical training or sports activity or is an inmate of Home registered under J.J. Act 2000

Given that child marriage has a grossly negative impact on the lives of children, adolescents and young women, this scheme is expected to bring about improved outcomes in terms of their educational status, health (especially facilitate the prevention of infant and maternal mortality) and contribute towards the empowerment of the girls in the State, and bring immeasurable benefits for the larger society as a whole.

What are Forms-K1 and K2?

- Form K1 is the application form for Annual Scholarship and will be available at schools.
- Form K2 is applicable for One Time Grant for girls will be available at schools and college at 18 years old.

One Time Grant (K2 Level)

1. The student applying for this scholarship must be a **domicile** of West Bengal
2. She should be **unmarried** upon attaining the age of 18.
3. The applicant female student should be enrolled and **regularly attending** an Institution of Higher Education or Training

For K1 and K2 Level Scholarship:

1. Collect applications form from respective educational institutions
2. Enter the following details to get the scholarship
 - Personal Details
 - Address
 - Educational Institution Address
3. After filling the information, sign on the application form and get it signed by your parents
4. Submit the application along with documents (highlighted below) to the respective educational institution
5. Take it to your **Head of the Department**, who will verify the details furnished by the students and put an official stamp
6. Take the acknowledgement slip and keep the application number for future reference
7. After successful submission of the application form, the details will be uploaded on the [official webpage of Kanyashree](#)

Kanyashree – Documents Required During Application Process

Students who want to enrol themselves and apply for the Kanyashree scholarship must have the access to the necessary certificates and documents before moving ahead to the application process.

For K1 and K2

1. Scholarship Type : State Government scheme
2. Method of Application : Online
3. Two (2) Passport size Photographs
4. Aadhaar Card
5. Age proof document – Copy of Birth Certificate or 10th Admit Card
6. Photocopy of bank passbook
7. A statement declaration of being unmarried.
8. Copy of Certificate of Disability (for handicapped girls)
9. The scholarship money will be sent directly to the bank account mentioned. The beneficiary will receive an SMS alert on the contact number provided in the application form.

Unmarried Certificate/declaration:

Undertakings or declarations made by the applicant or applicant's parents/guardians may be certified by any of the following:

Group A Officer of State Government or the Government of India who is either posted in the area, or is a resident of the area of residence of the applicant

Member of Parliament, Member of Legislature of the area of residence of the applicant

Councilor of ward of municipal areas, Gram Panchayat Pradhan of the area of residence of the applicant

Required Documents for One Time Grant :

A scholarship of **Rs. 25,000/-** is provided one-time to girl child fulfilling the below criteria:

Eligibility Criteria		Means of Verification	
1	Age	The girl has reached the age of 18	Copy of Birth Certificate issued by Municipal or Panchayat authorities and attested by the Appropriate Certifying Authorities
			OR Certificate of age issued by the Head of Institution of Education or Training or Institution of Higher Education where the girl is enrolled
2	Marital Status	The girl was unmarried on attaining the age of 18	Declaration by applicant and attested by the Appropriate Certifying Authorities

3	Occupation	Is enrolled in and regularly attending an Institution of Education or Training / Sports or a Institution of Higher Education Or is an inmate in a J. J. Home	Certificate of enrolment and attendance by Head of Institution
		a) girl is physically handicapped	For waiver in case the girl is physically handicapped: Copy of Certificate of Disability furnished by appropriate authority and attested by the Appropriate Certifying Authorities
		b) both parents are deceased	For waiver in case both parents of the girl are deceased: Declaration by guardian and attested by the Appropriate Certifying Authorities
		c) The applicant is an inmate in a J. J. Home	For waiver in case the applicant is an inmate in a J.J. Home : Statement by Superintendent of the Home

Important Links :

#	Subject	Links
1.	Kanyasree Prkalpa Guideline	https://www.wbkanyashree.gov.in/readwrite/notice_publications/01-Kanyashree%20Prakalpa%20Guidelines.pdf

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