AWARD OF SCHOLARSHIPS UNDER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME FOR ARMY PERSONNEL (ESSA) FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2023-24

- 1. Reference AO 04/2021/AG/CW and Army Welfare Education Society website www.awesindia.com.
- 2. Important aspects of Education Scholarship Scheme for Army Personnel (ESSA) for Academic Year 2022-2023 are presented in succeeding Paras.

Submission of Applications

3. Applications are required to be submitted online by the eligible applicants. Online application format will be available on AWES website www.awesindia.com. No offline application will be considered for payment of scholarship and issue of Merit certificates.

Eligibility

- 4. The eligibility conditions are as under:-
 - (a) Wards of all serving Army personnel and MNS Officers. Applicant/ ward must not have attained 25 years of age at the time of completion of class/ course from IX to PG level of education.
 - (b) Wards of Retired Army personnel, Territorial Army personnel (TA) and deceased Army personnel are not eligible.

Method of Selection and Award of Scholarship

5. Previously separate provision/ category for award of scholarship for differently abled children was not available. However, AWES has introduced special provisions and different cutoff for children with disabilities as specified in Disability Act 2016. Cutoff percentages are appended below:-

(a) Cutoff percentage of Marks of Children without Disabilities

Ser	Category	IX & X	XI & XII	Graduation			Post-Graduation		
No				Med	Eng	Other	Med	Eng	Other
(i)	Offrs	90	85	65	80	75	70	80	75
(ii)	JCOs	85	85	65	80	75	70	80	75
(iii)	OR	85	85	60	75	60	60	75	70

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(b) Cutoff percentage of Marks of Children with Disabilities

Ser	Category	IX &	XI &	Graduation			Post-Graduation		
No		X	XII	Med	Eng	Other	Med	Eng	Other
(i)	Locomotor disorders (All Types)	70	70	55	55	55	55	55	55
(ii)	Visual Impairment	60	60	55	55	55	55	55	55
(iii)	Hearing Impairment/ Speech and language	70	70	55	55	55	55	55	55

(iv)	*Intellectual disability	Pass							
(v)	*Mental Behaviour/	Pass							
	Mental Illness								
(vi)	*Chronic neurological/	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50
	Blood disorders								
(vii)	*Multiple disabilities	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50

^{*} For all those students who have been placed in subject cat during course of studies.

6. Once the applications are received based on cut off percentages, merit list will be drawn for award of scholarships based on allotment of funds for the present financial year.

Amount of Scholarship

7. The amount of scholarships, based on the levels of education for all categories are as under:-

S.No	Class	Rate of Scholarship ₹				
(a)	Class IX & XI	₹2000/-				
(b)	Class X & XII	₹4000/-				
(c)	Graduation	₹7500/-				
(d)	Post-Graduation	₹10000/-				

Merit Certificate

8. QR coded Merit Certificates will be issued online to all eligible applicants.

Timelines

- 9. The applications should pertain to the declared results of the immediate preceding academic year between 01 Oct of the preceding year and 30 Sep of the current year (i.e. applications will be processed this year for the period from 01 Oct 2023 to 30 Sep 2024).
- 10. As per guidelines of AO 04/2021/AG/CW last date for receipt of application is 30 Nov 2024. Any change in the last date of receipt of application beyond 30 Nov 2024 will be updated on AWES website at an appropriate stage.

Mode of Payment

11. Amount of scholarship will be transferred to the applicants based on bank details given in applications through NEFT/RTGS.

Wide Publicity

12. This letter may please be circulated down to Units/Sub Units by respective formation HQs for according benefits to eligible wards/ students.