

**UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
(NIC DIVISION)**

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Dear Student

On the advice of the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India, UGC implemented two schemes i.e. (i) Indira Gandhi PG Scholarship for Single Girl Child and (ii) PG Merit Scholarship for University Rank Holders from the academic session 2005-06 the students who have passed graduation in the year 2004-05 and taken admission into first year PG Course during 2005-06 are eligible. UGC has signed MoU with ICICI Bank for disbursement of scholarship.

ICICI Bank informed UGC that Smart Cards – Debit Card/ATM Card for the disbursement of Scholarship in respect of (i) Indira Gandhi PG Scholarship for Single Girl Child and (ii) PG Merit Scholarship for University Rank Holders have been prepared. Near about 400 smart cards have already been prepared and the same have been dispatched to the individual selected awardee (*List attached*).

As per guidelines scholarship amount is Rs.2000/- p.m. and for a 10 months in a year, total amount is Rs.20,000/- for one year 2005-06, has been credited to the selected awardees for whom smart cards have been prepared by the ICICI Bank. Now selected awardee can withdraw the scholarship amount from bank through Smart Card.

UGC also forwarded 971 names of the selected awardees from whom all the documents received after verifying the eligibility and other condition have been sent to ICICI Bank. In spite of repeated efforts ICICI Bank could not contact these selected awardees on the address given by the awardees. It has been decided that ICICI Bank will prepared Smart Cards – Debit Card/ATM Card in respect of these awardees in the second list. Representative of the ICICI Bank will be visiting shortly to the Institutions for delivering Smart Card personally. The date for the visit of ICICI Bank representative to the Universities is being intimated to University/College shortly.

In case of any difficulty selected awardees/Principal of the Colleges may kindly contact nearest branch of ICICI Bank or contact on the following numbers. Further they may also contact UGC office or on email address ugc@ugc.ac.in.

ICICI Bank Customer Care Centre Numbers			
Ahmedabad	5530 9890	Pune	2610 3333
Bangalore	4113 1877	Ranchi	1800 345 3499
Bhubaneshwar	1800 345 3499	Siliguri	1800 345 3499
Chandigarh	505 5700	Andhra Pradesh	98495 78000
Chennai	4208 8000	Chattisgarh	98932 08000
Coimbatore	435 8000	Goa	98904 78000
Cuttack	1800 345 3499	Gujarat	98982 78000
Delhi	4171 8000	Haryana	98961 78000
Delhi (Mobile)	98181 78000	Karnataka	98455 78000
Darjeeling	1800 345 3400	Kerala	98945 78000
Guwahati	1800 345 3499	Madhya Pradesh	98932 08000
Hyderabad	2312 8000	Maharashtra	98904 78000
Indore	402 2005	Punjab	98155 58000
Jamshedpur	1800 345 3499	Rajasthan	98292 22292
Kochi	238 4500	Tamil Nadu	98944 78000
Kolkata	98313 78000	UP East	1800 345 3499
Lucknow	229 4577	UP West	98973 08000
Mumbai	2830 7777	Uttaranchal	98973 08000
Patna	1800 345 3499		

UGC yet to receive clarifications from the Universities/Colleges in respect of 957 candidates who are selected under both the schemes where they have taken admission in first Year PG course during the year 2005-06. On receipt of satisfactory reply for these selected awardees their names will be forwarded to ICICI Bank for disbursement of scholarship amount.

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