

GUIDELINES FOR XIIth PLAN (2012-2017)

**FREE EDUCATION FOR SPORTS MEDAL WINNERS /
PARTICIPANTS OF NATIONAL/ INTERNATIONAL
EVENTS**



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GUIDELINES FOR PROVIDING “FREE EDUCATION FOR SPORTS MEDAL WINNERS /PARTICIPANTS OF NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL EVENTS”

1. INTRODUCTION

Sports are not only institutional competitive activity but also helps in educating the youths regarding their behavior and their qualities to help in their social and emotional adjustment with the society at large irrespective of culture, religion or beliefs. It is not only a method of recreational growth and development but also helps in integration of youth with the country's social order.

To bring laurels to the country and for personal professional development in sports, the youth have to not only spend their time but also their limited resources to excel. It would be imperative that the country on a whole supports their efforts financially so that resources are not a constraint to their education and sports development.

2. AIMS AND OBJECTIVE OF THE SCHEME

- (i) The objective of the scheme is to provide financial assistance to the medal winners\ elite sports persons who are studying in Universities/Colleges leading to all the full time regular courses including PG Diploma and other professional courses.
- (ii) To motivate the sports persons to achieve higher levels of performance by assisting them financially in relation to education and sports development.
- (iii) The scheme would be applicable to sports persons who are medal winners in national games or participants in recognized international sporting events.

3. ELIGIBILITY

- (i) The Scholarship will be provided to the Medal winners of National games and participants in recognized international sporting events recognized by World University Service, International Olympic Committee and Olympic Committee of Asia (OCA) who have taken admission in the Universities/Colleges/Institutions as indicated below:
 - Universities/Institutions/Colleges included under section 2(f) and 12(b) of UGC Act, 1956.
 - Deemed to be Universities under section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956 which are eligible to receive grant in aid from UGC.
 - Universities/Institutions/Colleges funded by Central/ State Govt.
 - Institutes of National Importance.
- (ii) In the subsequent years this scholarship shall depend on their subsequent sports performance.

4. AADHAAR SEEDING

The Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India vide its letter D.O. No. 18-7/2013-U1A dated 10th June, 2016 has instructed the University Grants Commission that from the financial year 2016-17 onwards the Aadhaar will be used as an identifier for disbursement of all Government

subsidies/Scholarships/Fellowships which are to be disbursed directly into the beneficiary's account. Accordingly, Aadhaar will be used as an Identifier for release of grant under the scheme.

5. PATTERN OF ASSISTANCE

- (i) The pattern of assistance will be as per the chart mentioned below depending upon the level of performance of the concerned sports person.

S.No.	Items	Financial Assistance					
		Category-I				Category-II	
		Courses	Medals at Olympics, World Championship (more than 20 countries)	Participations at Olympics, World Championship (more than 20 countries) , Medal at Common Wealth, Asian, Afro-Asian Games	Participation at World Championship (less than 20 countries), Common-Wealth, Asian, Afro-Asian, Games Medal at Asian Championship (excluding Asian games)	Participation at Asian Championship, World University games Medal at SAF Games	Participation at SAF Games, Medal at National level Competitions
1.	Tuition fee and other funds	Bachelor degree	Actual				75% of Actual
		PG Diploma					
		PG Degree					
		M. Phil	Rs. 7,500/- per month + Actual				Rs. 5,000/- per month+ Actual
		Ph. D	As per with JRF scale(UGC)				Rs. 7,500/- per month+ Actual
		MBA or other professional courses (*)	Rs. 7,500/- per month + Actual				Rs. 5,000/- per month+ Actual
2.	Hostel Facilities (Boarding and Lodging)	Actual				Actual	
3.	Kit	Rs. 15,000/annum	Rs. 15,000/annum	Rs. 10,000/annum	Rs. 7,500/ annum	Rs. 6,000/ annum	
4.	Allowances for special courses at abroad	As per Govt. of India's norms					

- (ii) The financial assistance depending upon the eligibility will be reimbursed by the UGC to the university concerned. The university will be responsible for submitting all relevant documents as per the guidelines and the proformas of the scheme.
- (iii) For the loss of the classes of the concerned sports persons because of their engagement in sporting activity, the university concerned will make special efforts in terms of completion of syllabus and attendance.

6. PROCEDURE FOR APPLYING FOR THE SCHEME

The candidate is required to submit an application through online portal i.e. <http://www.ugc.ac.in/page/XII-Plan-Guidelines.aspx> for availing of the scholarship. A Certificate of the participation/medal winner as per the eligibility mentioned above as proof (Attested by Registrar/Principal/Director) has to be submitted at the time of filling the online application. The amount will be reimbursed by UGC through DBT mode.

Note: Candidates have to apply strictly as per the instructions given in the online portal. Incomplete application will not be considered.

7. PROCEDURE FOR MONITORING THE PROGRESS

- (i) The Universities/Colleges/Institutions will submit a progress report regarding the sports performance in prescribed format in respect of each student availing this scheme.
- (ii) The Universities/Colleges/Institutions will submit the utilization certificate of each student availing this scheme. The grant for the subsequent years will be released on the receipt of Utilization Certificate for grant of the previous year.
- (iii) The student who is recipient of the above scheme will not be debarred from accepting any other scholarships from any other source/funding agency during the tenure of the award.
- (iv) The Universities/Colleges/Institutions shall submit annual progress report of each student availing the scheme along with the utilization certificate at the end of the session.
- (v) Some provision should be made for leave of absence as and when required for the candidate sporting activities, as well as for admission process.

8. CANCELLATION OF SCHOLARSHIP

UGC may terminate scholarship of any student in case of:

- (i) Misconduct of the candidate, if any, reported by the University/College/Institution.
- (ii) Unsatisfactory progress report i.e. if the candidate frequently fails in his/her examination will not be given further assistance.
- (iii) The scholarship may be terminated by the Commission, on the recommendation of the University at anytime during the tenure and the decision of the Commission will be final and binding.