

Education is one of the essential tools for development of any Community or Society. It is more important, when we talk about the tribals, who are socio-culturally and linguistically backward. Tribal Welfare Department spent about 80-90% of its Plan funds towards Educational Schemes. The major schemes are :

1. Boarding House Stipend:-

Boarding House Stipend @ Rs. 40/- per day per student & @ Rs.1/- per day per student for & sweeping & cleaning of the boarding house is provided for a maximum number of 322 days in an academic year for the students from KG-I to class X, staying in approved Boarding Houses. There are 262 nos. of Boarding Houses altogether, out of which 110 nos. are run by the Non Governmental Organizations. There are 152 nos. Government run Boarding Houses (Boys-90, Girls-48, ADC-5 & TTWREIS-9) in the State (As on 31st March 2013).

Eligibility criteria - No student shall be eligible for admission in a Boarding House and for stipend unless he/she is a b> :- i) Permanent resident of Tripura. ii) Member of Sch. Tribe community iii) Resident of a place where there is no school for providing required educational facilities within a distance of 3 KM from the temporary or permanent residence of the parent or Guardian of the students or of the student himself or herself where such school student has no parent living or has no Guardian.

2. Pre-Matric Scholarship:-

Pre- matric Scholarship is provided @ Rs 40/- P.M. for the students from class VI to VIII and @ Rs 50/- PM for the students of classes IX to X for a period of 10 months in an academic year.

Eligibility criteria:- Students belonging to Sch. Tribes reading in classes IV, VII, VII, IX and X in senior basic/ Junior high/high /HS schools in Tripura whose names are borne in the register of the School in the relevant years shall be eligible for grant of Pre matric Scholarship, provided that if in any month, his/her attendance falls below 70%, he/she will not be paid the scholarship for that month.

3. Post-Matric Scholarship:-

PMS is provided to the students of class XI and above for continuing higher studies. The ST students whose annual family income is upto Rs.2,50,000/- are eligible for scholarship maintenance.

Category	Rate (in Rupees)	
	Hosteller	Day scholar
Group – I i) Degree and Post Graduate level courses including M.Phil, Ph.D and Post Doctoral research in Medicine, Engineering, Technology, Planning, Architecture, Design, Fashion Tecnology, Agriculture, Veterinary & Allied Sciences, Managemant, Business, Finance/ Administration, Computer Science/ Applications ii) Commercial Pilot License iii) Post Graduate Diploma courses in various branches of management & medicinice vi) C.A/ I.C.W.A/ C.S/ I.C.F.A etc. v) M.Phil, Ph.D and Post Doctoral Programmes in existing Group II & III vi) L.L.M	1200	550
Group – II i) Graduate/Post Graduate courses leading to Degree, Diploma, Certificate in areas like Pharmacy, LLB, BFS, Other paramedical branches like rehabilitation, diagnostics etc., Mass communication, Hotel Management & Catering, Management, Interior Decoration,	820	530

Nutrition & Dietetics, Commercial Art, Financial Services for which entrance qualification is minimum Sr. Secondary.		
Group – III All other courses leading to a graduate degree not covered under Group – I e.g. M.A/M.Sc/M.Com/M.Ed/M.Pharma etc.	570	300
Group – IV All post-matriculation level non-degree courses for which entrance qualification is High School (Class X) e.g. Senior Secondary Certificate (Class XI & XII), both general and vocational stream, ITI courses, 3 years Diploma courses in Polytechnics etc.	380	230

Guidelines of Post-Metric Scholarship

4. Additive to Post-Matric Scholarship:-

Group-I :- Degree and Post Graduate Level Courses (including M.Phil .Ph.D and Post Doctoral research) in Medicines (Allopathic), Indian and other recognized system of medicines), Engineering, Technology, Agriculture, Veterinary and Allied Sciences, Management, Business Finance, Business Administration and Computer Applications/Science. Commercial Pilot Licence (including helicopter pilot & Multi Engine Rating) course.

Group-II :- Other Professional and Technical Graduate and Post Graduate (including M.Phil .Ph.D and Post Doctoral research) level courses not covered in Group 1.C.A/ ICWA /CS etc. courses. All Post Graduate, Graduate level Diploma Courses, all certificate level Courses.

Group-III :- All other courses leading to a Graduate of above degree (not covered in group I & II).

Group-IV :- All Post Matriculation level courses before taking up graduation like classes XI and XII in 10+2 system and intermediate examination etc. not covered in Group 'II' or 'III', ITI courses, other vocational courses (if minimum required qualification to pursue the course is at least matriculation).

5. Merit Award to Meritorious Students:-

The object of the scheme is to encourage ST students for excellence in studies. The meritorious ST students who secure 60% marks in annual Examination and Board Examination of class VI to XII is given award along with a certificate. The rate of cash award ranges from Rs.400 /- to Rs.50,000/- for boys and from Rs.500/- to Rs.50,000/- for girls.

Sl. No	Rate of Merit Scholarship	Boys	Girls
1.	VI to next higher class	400	500
2.	VII to next higher class	500	600
3.	VIII to next higher class	600	700
4.	IX to next higher class	700	800
5.	Madhyamik or equivalent	1,400	1,500
6.	XI to next higher class	1,400	1,500
7.	H.S(+2) Stage	3,500	4,000
8.	Special Merit Award for 80% marks & above for Madhyamik	5,000	5,000
9.	Special Merit Award for 80% marks & above for HS(+2) stage	10,000	10,000
10.	Student who secured 1st to 10th merit position in the Madhyamik/H.S(+2) stage examination	50,000	50,000

6. Coaching for Madhyamik Plucked Students:-

Under this scheme coaching is provided to the Madhyamik plucked students through NGOs. Stipend @ Rs.40 /- per student per day is provided to the hostellers for a period of 8 months. The honorarium for each subject Teaching staff is Rs.3,000/- per months. The scheme is implemented through District Administration, SDMs. There should be at least 50% pass percentage on enrolled strength for continuing of coaching NGO run centers for the next year.

7. Up-gradation of Merit :-

With a view to uplift the educational deficiency of ST students, the Up-gradation of Merit Scheme is running in Tripura since 1993-94 in Umakanta Academy School, Agartala. This scheme enhance the ST students for entry in the technical & professional courses like Engineering, Medical etc. since inception. During the last three years, 48 number of ST students have been benefited under the scheme. In the last financial year, Tribal Welfare Department, Government of Tripura has proposed for 13 number of Schools (with science stream) covering 260 number of ST students for the scheme.

8. Establishment of Ashram School (Class III to V) :-

Name and location of the School	Intake capacity	
	Boys	Girls
Ratanmani Memorial Ashram School, Kanchanpur	100	100
Radhamohan Memorial Ashram School, Ambassa	150	150
Ashram School at Karbook	100	100

With the aim to provide quality and value based education among the ST children hailing from poor tribal families 3 (three) number of Ashram School were set up at Kanchanpur, North Tripura, Ambassa, Dhalai and Karbook, South Tripura. Medium of instruction in these schools are English. All the three schools have started sitting at Kanchanpur, Ambassa & Karbook.

10. Establishment of Ekalavya Model Residential School (Class VI to XII)

With the aim to provide quality and value based education 4 (four) number of Eklavya Model Residential (EMR) School and 1 (one) number of Residential Schools were set up. The Medium of instruction in the EMR & Residential Schools is English and the curriculum is of CBSE. EMR Schools run under the control of Tripura Tribal Welfare Residential Educational Institutions Society (TTWREIS). Each of these Schools will have intake capacity of 420 students ultimately, except EMR school Ragnagar.

Name and location of the School	Intake capacity	
	Girls	Boys
EMR School Khumulwng, Sadar, West Tripura	210	210
EMR School B.C.Nagar, Santirbazar, South Tripura	210	210
EMR School Kumarghat, North Tripura	210	210
EMR School Rajnagar, Khowai, West Tripura	240	240
Residential School Bhuratali, Sabroom, South Tripura	210	210

3	Mythri School of Nursing	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15
4	Satylaxmi School of Nursing	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16
5	Gurunanak School of Nursing	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13
6	Jaswant School of Nursing	0	64	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	69
7	Sri Sai School of Nursing	0	43	0	10	30	12	0	20	10	125
8	Modern Institute of Nursing	0	35	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	45
9	Best Instituting of Nursing	0	25	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	28
10	PES college of Pharmacy	0	0	8	4	0	0	0	0	0	12
11	Tripura Medical & Nursing (Gynet)	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
12	Gautham Institute of Nursing, Bangalore	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	12
13	RR School of Nursing	0	0	0	0	0	26	50	54	10	140
14	Manjunatha School of Nursing	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	20	0	29
15.	Tripura Institute of Paramedical Science	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	27
16.	ILS Nursing Institute Agartala	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5
	Total:-	20	243	8	32	55	50	59	104	52	623