

**Notice****22.07.2026****National Scholarship for Higher Education (SC/ST Students) for the Academic Year 2026-27**

Applications (Fresh / Renewal) are now open for the National Scholarship for Higher Education for SC/ST students, previously known as the Central Sector Scheme of Top-Class Education for SC/ST Students. This scholarship is available for undergraduate (UG) students whose family annual income from all sources is below Rs. 8 lakhs for SC students and Rs. 6 lakhs for ST students. **Closing date of application registration by students (Fresh & Renewal) 31.10.2026.**

**Eligibility Criteria:**

- **SC Students:** 13 slots available, based on JEE Main CRL Ranking
- **ST Students:** All eligible ST students can apply

**Application Process:****1. Online Application:**

- Apply online through the National Scholarship Portal (NSP): [www.scholarships.gov.in](http://www.scholarships.gov.in)

**2. Required Certificates:**

- Documents are required to be uploaded on the portal while filling the application online includes Caste Certificate, Income Certificate, Fee Receipt (Expenditure Certificate), Bank Passbook copy and Mark Sheet.
- Income (current financial year) and Caste certificate in English or Hindi is mandatory.
- Bank Passbook copy of the student is valid.

**3. Procedure to obtain Expenditure Certificate:**

- Download the format from the NITK website: [NITK Certificates & Transcript](#)
- Complete the form with your personal details (Name, Date of Admission, Semester, Branch, etc.).
- Submit the completed form to the Academic Section (E7).
- You will receive the completed expenditure certificate within 2 days.

**4. Submission of Application:**

- After completing and submitting your application on the NSP portal, print the signed copy.
- Submit the signed application along with all supporting documents (Income, caste certificate, Expenditure certificate, Previous year Marks Sheet, Bank Passbook copy) to the SC-ST Cell office.

For any queries or additional assistance, please contact the SC-ST Cell office.

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Liaison Officer (SC/ST Cell)