

National Scheme of Incentive to Girls for Secondary Education (NSIGSE)

Cash Incentive Scheme for Rural/SC/ST Girls

Encouraging secondary education and reducing dropout rates among underserved girls.

Eligibility

- SC/ST or BPL girls aged 14-18 years.
- Passed Class 8 and enrolled in Class 9 in government/local body/KGBV schools.
- Unmarried; priority given to rural and underserved areas.
- Focus on first-generation learners to encourage continuation in education.
- Girls from minority or marginalized communities are especially encouraged.
- Ensures social and economic equity in education access.

Benefits

- One-time cash incentive of 3,000 deposited in a fixed deposit (FD) per girl.
- FD withdrawable with interest after passing Class 10 (at age 18), expected to mature to 7,200.
- Encourages girls to complete secondary education and reduces dropout rates.
- Transparent administration with only 1% monitoring fee.
- Promotes financial literacy among rural girls by introducing bank accounts and FDs.
- Can be used for higher education or skill development after maturity.
- Long-term socio-economic benefits by enabling girls' empowerment.

Required Documents

- Aadhaar card.
- Bank account details (passbook or account certificate).
- Class 8 marksheets/certificate.
- Caste/BPL/income certificate.
- Enrollment proof in Class 9.
- Passport-size photograph.
- Optional: Parent/guardian consent form for verification.

Application Process

- Visit [NSP](#) or [myscheme.gov.in/nsigse](#).
- Register/login using Aadhaar and mobile number.
- Search for "NSIGSE" under pre-matric/post-matric schemes.
- Fill the online form: personal details, school information, and bank account.
- Upload scanned documents (PDF/JPG, <200KB each).
- Submit and print the application; school head verifies via portal.
- Track status online; funds disbursed directly via DBT to the registered bank account.
- Keep acknowledgment receipt for future reference.

Deadlines and Official Links

- Applications open year-round but should ideally be submitted by school enrollment (July-August 2025); verification by September.
- Official portals: [NSP](#) or [myscheme.gov.in/nsigse](#)
- Apply early to ensure verification and timely DBT disbursement.
- Schools/blocks may assist students with limited internet access.