

# Kanyashree Prakalpa

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## Benefits (Kanyashree Prakalpa)

- The scheme offers two types of benefits
- annual scholarships and one
- time grants: ■ Annual scholarships: Girls who are studying in classes 8 to 12 in government
- aided or recognized schools can apply for a yearly scholarship of Rs. 750. The scholarship is renewable every year, subject to the girl's continued enrollment and performance. ■ One
- time grants: Girls who have completed 18 years of age and are unmarried can apply for a one
- time grant of Rs. 25,000. The grant is provided to support the girl's higher education or vocational training. ■

## Eligibility (Kanyashree Prakalpa)

- The Kanyashree Prakalpa Scheme is a social welfare scheme launched by the Government of West Bengal aimed at improving the status and well
- being of girls from socio
- economically disadvantaged families in the state. Here is a detailed description of the eligibility criteria for the scheme: ■ Age limit: Girls between the ages of 13 and 18 years are eligible for the scheme. Girls who have already turned 18 years of age are eligible to apply for the one
- time grant under the scheme. ■ Annual income limit: The scheme applies to girls from families with an annual income of up to Rs. 1.2 lakhs. The income of the girl's parents or guardians will be taken into consideration while determining eligibility for the scheme. ■ Educational criteria: Girls who are studying in classes 8 to 12 in government
- aided or recognized schools are eligible to apply for the annual scholarship provided under the scheme. ■ Marital status: Unmarried Girls are eligible to apply for the one
- time grant provided under the scheme. Girls who are already married are not eligible for the scheme. ■ Citizenship: The scheme applies only to girls who are residents of West Bengal and studying in schools or colleges in the state. ■ It is important to note that the scheme is targeted towards girls from economically disadvantaged backgrounds, and therefore, strict eligibility criteria have been put in place

to ensure that the benefits reach the intended beneficiaries.

## **Application Process (Kanyashree Prakalpa)**

- The application process for the Kanyashree Prakalpa Scheme of West Bengal can be completed in a few steps.
- Here's a brief overview of the application process: ■ **Eligibility check:** Girls who wish to apply for the scheme must first ensure that they meet the eligibility criteria, including age, income, and educational qualifications.
- ■ **Obtain the application form:** The application form for the scheme can be obtained/downloaded online from the official website of the Kanyashree Prakalpa Scheme or can be collected from the Schools or Block Development Officer's office.
- (Application Form for One-Time Grant) ■ **Fill in the application form:** The application form must be filled in accurately and completely, providing all the required details, including personal information, family income details, educational qualifications, etc.
- ■ **Attach supporting documents:** The applicant must attach supporting documents such as an income certificate, age proof, and educational certificates, among others, as per the instructions given in the application form.
- ■ **Submit the application & apply:** The completed application form along with the supporting documents must be submitted to the school or college authorities or the Block Development Officer's office.
- ■ **Verification and approval:** The application will be verified by the authorities, and if found eligible, the girl will receive the benefits under the scheme.
- ■ It is important to note that the application process may vary slightly depending on the specific guidelines issued by the government from time to time.
- The application is free of cost, and girls are encouraged to apply for the scheme to benefit from the various benefits it offers.

## **Documents Required (Kanyashree Prakalpa)**

- Document Link ■ ■ ■ ■

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