

# **Mukhyamantri Teerth Darshan Yojana**

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## **Important Features (Mukhyamantri Teerth Darshan Yojana)**

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## **Benefits (Mukhyamantri Teerth Darshan Yojana)**

- The State Government provides one
- time assistance in a lifetime to senior citizens above 60 years of age (2 years relaxation in case of women) to visit a prescribed pilgrimage outside the state. In this scheme, senior citizens of the state are made to travel to the identified pilgrimage sites of the country free of cost. The pilgrims travel by special train, breakfast, food, and pure drinking water, arrangements for stay at pilgrimage places, travel by bus where necessary, and other facilities are made available by Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corporation Limited (IRCTC) contracted with Religious Trusts and Endowments Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh.

## **Eligibility (Mukhyamantri Teerth Darshan Yojana)**

- The applicant should be a native of Madhya Pradesh.

- The age of the male applicant should be 60 years or above.
- The age of the female applicant should be 58 years or above.
- There is no age limit for disabled citizens whose disability is more than 60%.
- If the husband and wife want to travel together, then if one of the spouses is eligible, the life partner can also go on the journey, even if his age is less than 60 years.
- The applicant should not be a taxpayer.
- The applicant should not have taken the benefit of Teerth Darshan Yojna earlier.
- The applicant should be physically and mentally fit for the journey and should not be suffering from any infectious disease like TB, congestive cardiac, obstructive respiratory disease, coronary insufficiency, coronary thrombosis, mental illness, infectious leprosy, etc.
- Note 01: Application can be made for pilgrimage by forming a group, the head of the group will be the main applicant, but such group will not exceed 25 persons.
- Note 02: The applicant providing false information and hiding facts can be deprived of benefits under the scheme anytime.
- Note 03: In order to travel, it is mandatory for the applicant to provide a medical certificate that he is physically and mentally fit and not suffering from any infectious disease.
- Note 04: Single pilgrims above 65 years of age and 60% of disabled citizens are eligible to take a helper (Caretaker).

### **Application Process (Mukhyamantri Teerth Darshan Yojana)**

- Application Process: Step 01: The applicant should visit the nearest Tahsil or Sub-Tahsil and collect the application form.
- The application form can also be downloaded from the official website: <https://dharmasva.mp.gov.in/> ■
- Step 02: The applicant should fill up the application form in the prescribed proforma in two copies and submit the same along with all the relevant documents at the nearest Tahsil or Sub-Tahsil before the prescribed time limit.
- Selection Process: Step 01: The selection of pilgrims will be made by the collector.
- Step 02: First, applications will be sorted place-wise.
- Step 03: Selection will be made through a lottery if the number of received applications is more than the allowed quota.
- and a waiting list of 10% quota will also be chalked out.
- Note 01: If pilgrims desire to avail of any other facility than prescribed by the government during the journey, then they will have to make payment for the same.
- Note 02: Carrying any inflammable or intoxicating material or jewelry will not be allowed.
- Note 03: The State Government will not be responsible for any accident during the journey.

### **Documents Required (Mukhyamantri Teerth Darshan Yojana)**

- Identity proof i.e. Aadhaar card
- Voter ID Card For residence proof (Ration card
- Driving license
- electricity bill
- or any other evidence recognized by the State Government) Colored passport size photograph
- Disability certificate (If applicable) Proof of age A medical certificate i.e. physically and mentally fit and not suffering from any infectious disease