

# **Grant-in-Aid Scheme to Provide Financial Assistance to the Mahila Mandals**

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- employment opportunities for women. The scheme encourages socio
- educational activities and strengthens the functioning of Mahila Mandals. Eligible Mahila Mandals must be registered and operational for at least two years within the state of Goa. The scheme is implemented by the Child Development Project Officer (CDPO) of the respective block, who ensures effective implementation and monitoring of the program.

## **Benefits (Grant-in-Aid Scheme to Provide Financial Assistance to the Mahila Mandals)**

- Financial Assistance An annual grant of ■5,000/
- is provided to registered Mahila Mandals for successful functioning in Goa. A financial assistance of ■2,000/
- is sanctioned per course for the purchase of raw materials to conduct self
- employment activities. Resource persons may be provided by the Directorate for each course of activity through CDPOs. Conditions Financial assistance is sanctioned on a first
- come, first
- served basis, subject to government decision. Each Mahila Mandal can opt for only one training program at a time. Training duration should not be less than 4 hours per day for a course lasting 5 to 15 days. Regular attendance of participants must be maintained.

## **Eligibility (Grant-in-Aid Scheme to Provide Financial Assistance to the Mahila Mandals)**

- The Mahila Mandal must have valid registration with the competent authority.

- The Mahila Mandal must have been operating successfully within the state of Goa for the last 2 years.
- Each group must submit a project report specifying the activities/training and a list of prospective beneficiaries with educational details.
- There must be a minimum of 20 members for training/orientation.
- \*The government may relax any provision of the scheme at its discretion.
- \*No additional liability for house rent, electricity bills, or water bills will be borne by the government under the scheme.

## **Application Process (Grant-in-Aid Scheme to Provide Financial Assistance to the Mahila Mandals)**

- The application should be submitted through the Child Development Project Officer (CDPO) of the concerned block.
- The Mukhya Sevika at the village level of the respective block will assist the Mahila Mandal in the submission process.
- Post-Application Processes Review and Sanction: The CDPO will review the application and forward it to the Directorate of Women & Child Development.
- Financial assistance will be sanctioned on a first-come, first-served basis, subject to government approval.
- Conduction of Training Program: Once the financial assistance is sanctioned, the Mahila Mandal can conduct the training program.
- The date, time, and place of the training program must be fixed and informed to the Directorate of Women & Child Development before commencement.
- Submission of Utilization Certificate: After the completion of the training program, the Mahila Mandal must submit the utilization certificate within one week.
- The CDPO will counter-sign the utilization certificate and forward it to the Director.
- Monitoring and Reporting The CDPO will submit monthly progress reports to the Directorate.
- A review of the scheme's implementation will be conducted in the monthly meeting at the Directorate.

## **Documents Required (Grant-in-Aid Scheme to Provide Financial Assistance to the Mahila Mandals)**

- Copy of Registration Certificate. Last Two Years' Statement of Accounts. Project Report Specifying the Activities/training and List of Prospective Beneficiaries. Detailed List of Beneficiaries (Annexure II).  
\*Proper recording of bills/vouchers must be maintained by the Mahila Mandal and submitted to the CDPO through the Mukhya Sevika for utilization.

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