

# **"Monthly Grant To Old Crafts Persons (Pension)" Component of the "Development of Handicrafts" Scheme**

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## **Benefits ("Monthly Grant To Old Crafts Persons (Pension)" Component of the "Development of Handicrafts" Scheme)**

- A monthly grant of ₹2,000/
- This financial assistance continues until the lifetime of the beneficiary, subject to renewal every year. In the case of the craftsperson's death, the living spouse is entitled to receive ₹1,000/
- per month.

## **Eligibility ("Monthly Grant To Old Crafts Persons (Pension)" Component of the "Development of Handicrafts" Scheme)**

- The applicant should be an artisan who has attained the age of 60 years.
- The artisan should be a native or resident of the Union Territory of Puducherry for at least 5 years.
- The artisan should have practised the craft for at least 5 years in the Union Territory of Puducherry.
- The family income from all sources should not exceed ₹40,000 per annum.
- The applicant should not be a recipient of similar financial assistance from any other source.

## **Application Process ("Monthly Grant To Old Crafts Persons (Pension)" Component of the "Development of Handicrafts" Scheme)**

- Step 1: The interested applicant should take print of the prescribed format of the application form.
- Step 2: In the application form, fill in all the mandatory fields, paste the passport-sized photograph (signed across, if required), and attach copies of all the mandatory documents (self-attest, if required).
- Step 3: The interested applicant should visit (on a working day, and during office hours) the General Manager of the District Industries Centre (Thattanchavady, Puducherry - 605 009, 2248391, 2249392, 2248987, dic\_pdy@bsnl.in), and submit the duly filled and signed application form and the documents to the concerned authority.
- Step 4: On receipt of the application, necessary entries will be made in the application receipt register and a unique number is assigned to the applicant for identifying each applicant which shall be used for all further references and also as acknowledgement for the receipt of the application.

**Documents Required ("Monthly Grant To Old Crafts Persons (Pension)"  
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- Proof of Age. Residence Certificate of the Union Territory of Puducherry. Evidence of Practising the Craft for at Least 5 Years in the Union Territory of Puducherry. Income Certificate. Declaration Stating the Non-receipt of Similar Financial Assistance From Any Other Source.

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