

Krishak Bandhu Scheme

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Objectives (Krishak Bandhu Scheme)

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Important Features (Krishak Bandhu Scheme)

- The scheme offers ₹5,000/- per acre per year as direct income support and ₹2,00,000/- as death benefit to the family of deceased farmers. Eligible beneficiaries include small and marginal farmers owning up to 2 acres of land and all farmer families in case of death or disability.

Benefits (Krishak Bandhu Scheme)

- Direct Income Support Farmers with one acre or more of cultivable land receive ₹10,000/- per annum, payable in two equal installments of ₹5,000/- each (one for Kharif and one for Rabi season). Farmers with less than one acre of cultivable land receive assistance on a pro rata basis, subject to a minimum of ₹4,000/- per annum, paid in two equal installments. Death/Disability Benefit In the event of the death of a farmer between the ages of 18 and 60 years, a one-time lump sum grant of ₹2,00,000/- is provided to the legal heirs of the deceased. The farmer must have been enrolled under the Krishak Bandhu scheme at the time of death. A one-time lump sum grant of ₹2,00,000/- for permanent disability of the farmer due to accident. Disbursement Conditions Income support is linked to land ownership records. Death benefit requires submission of legal heir certificates. Disbursed via Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) to the beneficiary's bank account.

Eligibility (Krishak Bandhu Scheme)

- For Income Support The applicant must be a resident of West Bengal.
- The applicant must own cultivable land (up to 2 acres).
- The applicant must be actively engaged in farming.
- For Death/Disability Benefit The deceased/disabled person must have been a farmer aged 18–60 years.
- The applicant must be the legal heir (for death benefit).

Application Process (Krishak Bandhu Scheme)

- Step 1: The interested applicant should visit the nearest Gram Panchayat or the Office of the Assistant Director of Agriculture of the respective block, and request a hard copy 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-attested, if required).
- Step 3: Submit the duly filled and signed application form along with the documents, within the prescribed period (if any), to the Gram Panchayat or the Office of the Assistant Director of Agriculture.

- Step 4: Request a receipt or acknowledgement from the concerned authority to whom the application has been submitted.
- Ensure that the receipt contains essential details such as the date and time of submission, and a unique identification number (if applicable).

Documents Required (Krishak Bandhu Scheme)

- Record of Rights (RoR) of Cultivable Land / RoR recorded with Barga / Patta Record / Forest Patta (Latest). Voter Identity Card (Mandatory). Aadhaar Card (Optional). Bank Passbook (First page and last page) / Cancelled Cheque. Passport Size Recent Photograph (Original). Self Declaration with Land Documents & Warison Certificate (if needed). Bank account and Aadhaar linked mobile number. Death Certificate (For Death Benefit). Legal Heir Certificate (For Death Benefit). Disability Certificate (For Disability Benefit).

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