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## **Benefits (Financial Assistance To Inter-Caste Married Couples (Except SC/ST Category))**

- Under the scheme, a one-time financial assistance of ₹30,000/- will be given to inter-caste married couples.

## **Eligibility (Financial Assistance To Inter-Caste Married Couples (Except SC/ST Category))**

- The applicant should be a resident of Kerala State. The inter-caste married couples who are legally married are eligible for financial assistance. The combined family income of the couple should not exceed ₹1,00,000/-
- The couples are entitled to financial assistance one-time only. The couples must apply for financial assistance after one year of marriage but not exceeding 2 years from the date of marriage. Note 01: The financial assistance should be utilized for purposes like starting a business, for the purchase of land, or for the construction of a house. The Local Self Government Institutions (LSGIs) should ensure that funds are being utilized for the said purposes.
- Note 02: While receiving financial assistance, couples will be required to sign an agreement and submit it to the LSGIs.

## **Application Process (Financial Assistance To Inter-Caste Married Couples (Except SC/ST Category))**

- Step 01: To avail of the benefits of the scheme, the applicant needs to visit the nearest District Social Justice Office and collect the application form.
- The application form can also be downloaded from the official website of the Social Justice Department, Government of Kerala.
- Step 02: The applicant needs to fill out the application form completely.
- Step 03: The duly filled application form along with supporting documents has to be submitted to the concerned District Social Justice Officers.

## **Documents Required (Financial Assistance To Inter-Caste Married Couples (Except SC/ST Category))**

- Identity proof i.e. copy of Election ID Card/ Aadhaar card Passport size photos Income Certificate (Original) from the concerned Village Officer Certificate proving that Inter-caste marriage is registered (certificate has to be issued by Sub Registrar's office
- Panchayath President
- certificates issued from organizations like NSS
- and SNDP are acceptable). Caste certificate of the couple from the concerned Village Officer Original certificate (from Gazetted Officer/MLA/ MP) proving that the married couple has been together for the past one year. Copy of the Ration card of the couple Bank account details

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