

(i) State Government Schemes for Children with Disabilities

(a) Scheme: Pre-matric Scholarships to Students with Disabilities

Objective: Financial assistance to students with disabilities studying at Pre-matric Courses from Class I to X to enable them to complete their education

Benefits: Scholarship amount is sanctioned to the student per academic year as follows:

Class	Scholarship	Other Allowances		
		Transport Allowances(f or Children with Loco motor Disability)	Maintenance of Prosthetic/ Orthopedic aids (for Children with Loco motor Disability)	Readers Allowance (for Visually Impaired)
I to V	Rs.700	Rs.500	Rs.250	Rs.250
VI to VIII	Rs.1000	Rs.500	Rs.250	Rs.250
IX & X	Rs.1820	Rs.500	Rs.250	Rs.500

Mode of application: Online registration of application through

www.telanganaepass.cgg.gov.in/portal

Contact: Concerned District Welfare Officer dealing with Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Senior Citizens & Transgender.

Further Children with disabilities from the SC, ST, BC, and Minority categories who have applied for scholarships to the nodal departments designated for their categories are being sanctioned scholarships by those nodal departments.

(b) Post-matric Scholarships to Students with Disabilities

Objective: Financial assistance to 'OC' category students with disabilities studying at Post-Matric Courses to enable them to complete their education. Students with disabilities belonging to SC, ST, BC and Minority category are being sanctioned Scholarships by the respective departments.

Benefits:

a) Reimbursement of Tuition Fees & special Fees to the students with disabilities & reimbursed to the institutions concerned based on the existing fee structure for various courses prescribed by Government/ University.

b) For Intermediate & Degree Courses - Rs.5000/- per annum and for Post-Graduation, Professional Courses - Rs.6500/- per annum is sanctioned to students with disabilities residing in hostels towards maintenance charges.

Mode of Application: Online registration of application through www.telanganaepass.cgg.gov.in portal

Contact details: Concerned District Welfare Officer dealing with Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Senior Citizens & Transgender Persons.

(c) Rehabilitation & Supply of Prosthetic Aids

Objective: Free distributions of assistive aids to Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) for improving their quality of life in terms of mobility, communication, education, rehabilitation and for performing their daily activities with greater ease and independence.

Benefits:

- a. Battery Wheelchairs are sanctioned to persons with muscular dystrophy, persons affected with spinal cord- Age 12 years & above.
- b. Daisy Players are sanctioned to Visually impaired Students with 75% disability and above, studying Intermediate and above courses - Age 15 years & above.
- c. Calipers/Splints are sanctioned to persons with loco motor disability those who are affected with lower limbs on recommendation of concerned specialist - Age 2 years & above.
- d. Artificial limbs are sanctioned to persons with loco motor disability those who are affected with lower limbs on recommendation of concerned specialist - Age 6 years & above.
- e. Wheelchairs are sanctioned to Persons with loco motor disability/ intellectual disability/Spinal cord affected persons-Age 10 years & above.
- f. Crutches are sanctioned to Persons with loco motor disability those who are affected with lower limbs -Age 10 years & above.
- g. MP3 Players are sanctioned to Visually impaired Students with 75% disability and above studying 9th class and 10th Class in the age group of 13 – 20 years
- h. Braille books are sanctioned to Visually impaired Students in the age group of 5 – 18 years.
- i. Smart Phones are sanctioned to Hearing Impaired Students those who are studying Intermediate and above Courses in the age group of 16 to 50 years.
- j. Teaching & Learning Material are sanctioned for Children with Intellectual disabilities in the age group of 1 – 18 years.
- k. Hearing Aids (BTE) are sanctioned to children with Hearing impairment with 51% disability & above in the age group of 5 to 18 years.

Mode of application: Online registration of application through www.tgobmms.cgg.gov.in portal

Contact Person: Concerned District Welfare Officer dealing with Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Senior Citizens & Transgender Persons

(d) Pension

Objective: Pension is sanctioned to persons with disabilities irrespective of age in order to support their day to day minimum needs required to lead a life of dignity and social security

Benefits: An amount of Rs.4016/- per month is sanctioned to person with disability

Mode of application: Person with disability shall submit the application along with requisite documents to concerned District Collector/ District Rural Development Agency (DRDA) Office

Contact: Concerned District Collector/ District Rural Development Agency (DRDA) Office

(e) Free Bus Pass

Free bus passes is issued to PwDs to travel in City Ordinary Buses only and 50% concession in normal fares up to Deluxe Buses

Benefits:

Free and concessional bus passes are issued to the following categories of PwDs

Category	Disability percentage
Visual Impairment	100%
Deaf and Dumb	100%
Loco motor Disability	40%
Intellectual Disability	I.Q. Below 69
Leprosy cured	40% above

Contact: Person with disability shall submit the application at Telangana State Road Transport Corporation (TGSRTC) Bus Pass Counter

(f) Government Residential Schools for Visually Impaired & Hearing Impaired Children

Five Government Residential Schools (2 for Visually Impaired children & 3 for Hearing Impaired Children) are functioning to provide special education to children with Visual Impairment and Hearing Impairment with a sanctioned strength of 830

Free boarding and lodging facilities, Advanced Teaching & Learning materials, Computers (with JAWS Software to Visually Impaired) and Tablets have been provided in the Residential Schools to provide quality education to the visually impaired and hearing impaired students and Vocational training to instill confidence among students for future independent and dignified livelihood.

(g) Hostels and Homes

To provide shelter to the students with disabilities and orphans, (20) Homes & Hostels are being maintained by the Department with a sanctioned strength of 2258.

Free boarding and lodging for inmates, Four pairs of dresses per annum with stitching charges, One set of bedding material every year, Supply of Notebooks, Trunk Box, plate, glass, Tiffin box every five years, Cosmetic charges for boys & girls and Haircut charges for boys.

The following are the diet charges spent for pre-matric & post-matric boarders in Hostels/Homes/Residential Schools, Institutions for providing nutritious and balance diet

Sl.No	Category	Class	Rate pm
1	Pre-matric boarders	3 rd to 7 th	Rs.1200/-
		8 th to 10 th	Rs.1500/-
2	Post-matric boarders	Inter & above	Rs.2000/-

The following are the cosmetic & other charges sanctioned for boarders in Hostels/Homes/Residential Schools

Sl.No	Description	Rate pm
1	Cosmetic Charges	
	Boys/Men	Rs.200/-pm
	Girls/Women	Rs.350/-pm
2	Hair Cut Charges	Rs.50/-pm
3	Uniforms	Four pairs of uniforms @ Rs.3000/-per annum
4	Bedding Material	One set of bedding material @ Rs.1500/-every year

(h) SAMAGRASHIKSHA, TELANGANA– Inclusive Education

The main objective of the program is

- To identify children with disabilities at the school level and assessment of their educational needs.
- Provision of aid and appliances, including assistive devices, to children with special needs as per requirement.
- Removal of architectural barriers in schools so that Children with Special Needs (CwSN) has access to classrooms, toilets in the school, and services and therapeutic services for children with special needs as per their requirements in convergence with line departments.

School Readiness Programme: School Readiness Programme (SRP) is conducted in the Bhavitha centres in Telangna state. Children with Special Needs who need special training before they mainstreamed into regular schools are provided required facilities in the Bhavitha centres or Inclusive Education Resource Centres (IERC) at Mandal (Block) head quarter.

These centres are equipped with teaching, learning material, hearing aid equipment, physiotherapy equipment, other material required for different categories of Children with Special Needs like building blocks for children with intellectual disability, drawing material etc. These children are provided Mid-day meal and uniforms from neighboring government schools. These children are provided transport allowance to come to the centres.

Home Based Education (HBE): Inclusive Education Resource Persons (Special Educators) visit the child at her or his home once in a week to provide training based on the baseline assessment made on the first visit. Accordingly training will be imparted in basic life skills for large & fine motor training, toilet training, self-help skills and basic academic skills like identifying pictures, numbers, listening to stories and picture book reading and early communication, in the presence of the parent or guardian. Counseling and training is given to parents to follow up activity in their absence. The progress of every child covered under the HBE program is documented and tracked with the help of Individualized Education Plans (IEPs). Children covered under HBE are strategically mainstreamed to Schools/IERCs after proper evaluation and preparing the child & parent for sufficient time.