

Scholarship Management Policy 2008

The Punjab Educational Endowment Fund (PEEF) is an initiative of the Government of Punjab under the leadership of Chief Minister, Mr. Muhammad Shahbaz Sharif.

PEEF is established with the objective of promoting academic excellence by providing financial support to the less privileged youth of Punjab, to help them reach their highest potential. This program envisages, developing the overall personality of students and creating a critical mass of talented student which will contribute to the overall socioeconomic development of the society. In the first/current phase, PEEF is disbursing 5,000 scholarships. These scholarships are Need and Merit based and will be disbursed amongst students who have passed Secondary and Intermediate Examination in 2008 (annual).

To reach out to the talented and needy students in the first phase PEEF has shortlisted students who have pursued education from Government schools / colleges and have secured top positions in their respective Tehsil/ District, Level (Metric or Intermediate) and Stream (science, arts, commerce, ICS, etc.) in the Secondary and Intermediate Examination held in 2008 (annual).

The salient features of PEEF scholarship are:

- Scholarship Quota for Provinces break up:

Though PEEF's sphere of financial assistance is mainly concentrated in Punjab, however to promote national unity and integrity, students of other provinces including Azad Jammu Kashmir and FATA shall also be provided 5% additional scholarships. The break up of scholarship is as follows:

Province	Number of scholarship
Punjab	5,000
Baluchistan	126
Sindh	63
NWFP	63
AJK & FATA	63
Total	5,315

- Categories of districts of Punjab :

The districts, based on their HDI ranking, have been divided into two categories comprising of Less Developed Districts (LDDs) and Developed Districts (DDs), and more weight age of scholarships have been allocated for LDDs.

District Category	No. of Districts	% of Scholarship Allocation
LDD*	15	50%
DD**	20	50%

*Less developed districts (mostly in southern Punjab) / developed districts (central & northern Punjab)

- Categories of scholarship:
 - Merit Scholarship (80% of the total number)
 - Special Quota Scholarship (20% of the total number)
 - Orphan Children
 - Children of government servants in BPS 1 – 4
 - Children belonging to minorities

- Special Children
- Scholarship allocation for different levels:

Level	% of scholarship allocation	Number of Scholarships
Pre Matric	10	500
Post Matric	40	2,000
Post Intermediate	40	2,000
Post Graduation	10	500

- Scholarship Stipends for different levels:

Level	Stipend for Day Scholar (Rs.)	Stipend for Boarders* (Rs.)
Pre Matric	800	1,500
Post Matric (FA, FSc., I Com etc.)	1,500	3,000
Post Intermediate (BA, BSc., etc.)	2,500	4,000
Post Intermediate (Professional Degree / Courses e.g, MBBS, Engineering, B.Com etc.)	3,000	4,500

*Nine (9) Divisional Headquarters and Sialkot are considered as Big Cities and students enrolled in the institutions of these 10 cities are entitled to additional 10% boarding allowance. This additional allowance is not admissible to scholarship holders of 2008 (annual).

- Scholarship Adjustment policy:

During the course of finalizing the scholarships for both Merit and Special Quota, the organization has come up with certain bottlenecks, e.g;

- A stream of a certain group (Intermediate) is completely missing in different BISEs, Districts, Tehsils, such as, Commerce, etc.,
- Required number of short listed candidates (boys – girls) in a stream / group / tehsil is not available
- Required number of Boarder students is not available
- Required number of special quota scholarships (SQS) applicants is not available in certain tehsils / districts

Following policy guidelines have been adopted while finalizing the scholarships, both Merit & Special Quota;

Merit Scholarships:

Different streams have been clubbed along with their respective % ages to form groups that are considered in order of priority while awarding scholarship to students.

Level	Group	Stream	% allotted
Post Matric		Science	70%
		Arts	30%
Post Intermediate	Group A (80%)	Pre Medical	35%
		Pre Engineering	35%
		Commerce	10%
	Group B (20%)	Humanities	10%
		General Science / ICS	10%

- Scholarships allotted for specific stream is shifted to the other priority stream of same group (e.g from commerce to pre – eng., pre – medical)
- If students are not available for a group, then the scholarships is adjusted in other group (but to the same gender) of the same tehsil.
- If there are not enough numbers of candidates of one gender in any given stream/group, the same number of scholarships is shifted to other gender of the same stream/group in same Tehsil / District
- If there are not enough candidates in a tehsil, the same number with equal gender distribution, is divided equally amongst other tehsils of the district. This way all the tehsils will be equally benefited.
- If there is no required number of Boarders of a specific stream, the same number is shifted to day scholars of the same gender in that stream.
- Only FULL TIME students in regular institutes, if selected are awarded scholarships.
- Students who are short listed but are not enrolled in any institution due to financial constraints are advised to get admission in next session and are considered for next scholarship batch.

Special Quota Scholarships (SQS):

- In case the required number of Special Quota Scholarships (SQS) applicants is not available in certain tehsils / districts, PEEF will adopt following guidelines in order of priority
- If students from one category (orphan, disable etc.) are not available at tehsil level, all the four categories shall be clubbed at tehsil level (this will happen as the number of special quota scholarship at tehsil level is too small and individual quota may go in fractions).
- If number of applications for special quota scholarship is less than the number of scholarships allocated to one tehsil, the number of special quota scholarships shall be adjusted against the total allocation of Special Quota Scholarships at district level.
- If the number of applications for special quota scholarships is less than the number of scholarships allocated to a district, the remaining number of (unutilized) Special Quota Scholarship (SQS) shall be adjusted to the merit Scholarships of the Tehsil where the original shortfall of SQS existed. This will keep the originally allocated number of scholarships within the same tehsil and total number of scholarships within that district constant.
- If the number of applications for special quota scholarships and merit scholarships are less than the allocated number in any district, the same may be adjusted in other districts of the same BISE; first by adjusting the special quota scholarship applicants and then the merit scholarship applicants. This will ensure that the total number of scholarships allocated to a certain BISE remains constant.