

LAADLI LAXMI SCHEME

Preamble to the Scheme

In a society, where a girl child is often seen to be a financial burden, this scheme is intended to reduce the financial burden thereby addressing the undesirable tendency of female foeticides, and thus helping to arrest the declining female sex ratio in the State. This scheme further intends to ensure that the girl child does not become a burden for the parent or guardian during her marriage. This scheme should not to be construed or misunderstood as an encouragement to the practice of giving dowry in any way.

- I. Short title and commencement.** - (1) This scheme shall be called “**Laadli Laxmi Scheme**”.
- (2) The scheme shall come into force with immediate effect.
- II. Eligibility and other conditions:-** (1) **Any Girl** who fulfils all of the following conditions are eligible to apply:
- (a) born in the State of Goa;
 - (b) resident of Goa for the last fifteen years; and
 - (c)
 - (i) whose at least one of the parents is born in Goa and is also a resident of Goa for the last fifteen years; or
 - (ii) whose one of the parents is residing in Goa for last twenty five years.
- Provided that a Girl, who is born outside Goa, shall be eligible if she is:
- (a) resident of Goa for the last fifteen years;
 - (b) educated in Goa; and
 - (c)
 - (i) whose at least one of the parents is born in Goa and is also a resident of Goa for the last fifteen years; or
 - (ii) whose one of the parents is residing in Goa for last twenty five years.

- (2) If any doubt arises regarding eligibility of any, the same shall be decided by a Committee consisting of the following:
 - (i) Secretary to Government of Goa in charge of Department of Women and Child Development as Chairperson,
 - (ii) One Social Worker to be appointed by the Government as Member,
 - (iii) Additional/Joint Secretary to Government of Goa in charge in the Department of Finance as Member, and
 - (iv) Director, Directorate of Women and Child Development as Member Secretary.

- (3) The decision of the above Committee shall be final and binding. No appeal or request for reconsideration of decision shall be allowed under the scheme.

- (4) All applications received from a girl child who is an orphan *or* a destitute child *or* who is born outside a legitimate wedlock *or* an adopted girl child *or* any other case which is covered under the objective of the scheme; shall be referred to the Committee mentioned above, if the application is made by the guardians or the Institution/Organisations which is taking care of the child.

- (4)(A): In case if an applicant is unable to produce documents pertaining to parents birth, residence, etc. on account of their opposition to her marriage, such an application shall be placed before the Committee for decision.

- (5) The beneficiaries shall be grouped into two categories, namely:-
 - (a) Those applicant who attain the age of majority i.e. 18 years on or after 01.04.2012, and
 - (b) Those who have already attained the age of 18 years before 01.04.2012 and are in the age group of 19 to 40 years.

III. Mode of operation. - (1) The beneficiaries under the scheme shall be paid Rs. 1.00 lakh as financial assistance, by means of bank fixed deposit, jointly in the name of the Director of Women and Child Development and the applicant (the Girl).

(2) The fixed deposit shall be renewed annually automatically on maturity, alongwith the amount of interest accrued, till the date of claim by the applicant as per scheme or until the age of 40 years whichever is earlier.

For the purpose of operation of this scheme through the bank / financial institution concerned, the Government, shall execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), detailing the terms and conditions of operation of the bank account, the fixed deposit account / certificate, amount of interest accrued, authorisation procedure for payment to the beneficiary, terms of payment by the Government to the bank / financial institution, credit to the Government on closure of individual account etc.

IV. Application procedure. - (1) The applicant who attains the age of majority i.e. 18 years on or after 1st April 2012, (i.e. those beneficiaries covered under clause 2(5)(a) above) may apply to the Director of Women and Child Development, Panaji - Goa, in the prescribed form (“**Annexure I**” to this scheme), complete in all respects, along with two passport size photographs and the following documents:

- i) Attested copy of the Birth Certificate of the applicant.
- ii) Attested copy of any document as a proof of 15 years residence of the applicant in the State of Goa. In lieu of the Residence Certificate, the previous School Leaving Certificate and the current Bonafide Student Certificate issued by the recognized Educational Institution in which the Girl is presently studying can also be produced. However, in case of girls who discontinued education at school level, the gap period i.e., from the time of discontinuation of education till completion of 18 years of age/marriage as the case may be, may be proved by production of

residence certificate. In case of graduates, the Certificates of passing of Xth; XIIth and Graduation is adequate evidence.

- iii) 15 years or 25 years Residence Certificate of the parent(s) as the case may be. In lieu of the Residence Certificate, any documentary evidence to prove the residence for the specified period can also be produced which may include:
 - a.) the land records i.e. tenancy rights; mundcarial rights; occupancy rights, etc;
 - b.) Employment certificate; or
 - c.) Any such records to the satisfaction of the Committee.

- iv) Birth Certificate of the parent(s). If no birth certificate is available one of the following documents can be produced showing the details namely the date and place of Birth of the parent(s):
 - a.) Baptism certificate;
 - b.) School leaving certificate of the parent(s) etc;
 - c.) Any document which establishes that one of the grandparents of the girl have lived in Goa around the time of the date of birth claimed by the parent(s); or
 - d.) Any such records, which establishes the date of birth of the parent(s).

- v) Attested copy of the Aadhar card if any, and
- vi) An affidavit in the format as given in “**Annexure II**” to this scheme.

- vii) In case of a girl whose father/mother is in service either with the State Government or the Central Government or the public sector undertakings, in lieu of the certificate of residence such applicant may produce the service certificate of 25 years issued by the Head of the Department. However, the girl should be born in Goa and should have studied in Goa up to Xth class.

Note 1: The Aadhar card will be compulsory for all applicants after 01.04.2013. However, the Government by separate Order may relax the requirement of producing the Aadhar card and such other certificate(s), for a further period of time, as may be prescribed in the said Order.

Note 2: The application form (Annexure-I) shall be serially numbered and issued by the designated Offices notified by the Director of Women and Child Development / designated branches of the bank concerned. Application forms in any other format or proforma or reprographic copies of the same shall not be accepted.

Note 3: The application form (Annexure-I) shall be signed by the applicant in the presence of either the Member of Legislative Assembly, the Member of Parliament, Government Officer (not below the rank of Additional / Special Secretary to the Government of Goa) or the District Magistrate.

- (2) In case of those beneficiaries who have already attained the age of 18 and above before 01.04.2012 (i.e. those beneficiaries covered under clause 2(5)(b) above) and have got / are getting married hereinafter, may apply to the Director of Women and Child Development, Panaji - Goa, in the prescribed form, in “**Annexure-I**” of this scheme with all the documents listed in clause 4 (1) above along with following additional documents;
 - (i) Attested copy of the Civil Marriage Registration Certificate (which may also include the first registration certificate) provided the certificate is dated on or after 01.04.2012 only.
- (3) The application shall be submitted within one year, either from the date of publication of this scheme in the Official Gazette or from the date of attaining the age of 18 years or from the date of issue of Civil

Marriage Registration Certificate. All applications received beyond the specified period of one year shall be rejected.

- (4) The application duly filled and complete in all respect, received by the Directorate of Women and Child Development, shall be scrutinised and sanctioned by the Director of Women and Child Development, in the chronological order in which application is received in his Office.
- (5) The applicant shall have to open an account in the bank / financial institution as declared by the Government, in any of its branches in the State of Goa.
- (6) In order to receive the money after civil marriage, the beneficiary shall personally present herself before the designated officer(s) or the Director of the Directorate, Women and Child Development for issue of withdrawal order/letter, which in turn can be presented in the bank / financial institution for withdrawal of the money / amount due and payable. The withdrawal order/letter shall be issued based on the submission of the Civil Marriage Registration Certificate (which may also include the first registration certificate).
- (7) If the girl who has availed the benefits under the scheme, on attaining the age of 21 years intends to withdraw the said amount for her use in business/profession or for her further studies, such cases shall be placed before the Committee for decision.

V. Other Conditions. - (1) In the event of death of the beneficiary before the marriage, the amount in the fixed deposit shall be paid by the bank / financial institution concerned to the Director of Women and Child Development, who shall deposit the same into an appropriate Government account.

- (2) A separate account shall be opened with one of the bank / financial institution concerned to be identified by the Government for implementation of the scheme, which shall prepare a fixed deposit in the name of the applicant as per the sanction order issued by the Director, Women and Child Development, from time to time.
- (3) The money under the fixed deposit shall be permitted to be withdrawn from the bank / financial institution, provided the beneficiary produces the withdrawal order/letter from the Director, Women and Child Development or any other authorised official and also personally present herself before the bank officials.
- (4) The benefits under the scheme shall be given only once in the lifetime of each beneficiary.
- (5) The unpaid money under the fixed deposit shall be credited back to the Government along with the interest accrued thereon and no family members / co-signatory / guardian, as the case may be shall have right/claim of whatsoever on the same.
- (6) In the event, there is no claim by the beneficiary till attaining the age of 40 years, the fixed deposit shall be closed and the amount shall be credited back to the Government along with the interest accrued thereon. No further assistance of any nature shall be provided to the concerned.
- (7) This scheme does not confer any right on any one merely on application made under the scheme, for claiming the benefits under this scheme and denial of the benefits under the scheme, after the same has been examined by the Director of Women and Child Development as well as the Committee constituted under clause 2(2) above, shall not be disputed.

- (8) The disbursement of benefits under this scheme shall be subject to the availability of funds provided for the purpose annually by means of budgetary support.

VI.

- Power to relax.** - (1) For removal of any difficulties in the implementation of the scheme, there shall be a four member Committee constituted as in clause 2(2) above.
- (2) The decision of the Committee shall be final and binding on all concerned.
- (3) The Government shall have the power to amend, modify and cancel any part or whole of the scheme at any time.

By order and in the name of the
Governor of Goa

- sd/ -
Sunil P. Masurkar
Director & ex-officio Joint Secretary to the Govt.
Women and Child Development

Price: ₹ 5/-
Annexure – I (Bank Copy)

Application Form for 'LAADLI LAXMI' Scheme.

Sr. No.

Passport size Photograph of the applicant, countersigned by the MLA or MP Government Officers, not below the rank of Additional / Special Secretaries to the Government of Goa and the District Magistrates.

PART I

1. *Name of the applicant (Girl): _____
(As specified on birth certificate) (surname) (name) (middle name)
2. *Applicant's Date of Birth :
(dd/mm/yyyy)
3. *Name of the Applicant's (i) Mother: _____
(ii) Father: _____
(iii) Guardian: _____
4. *Married : Yes No
5. *Residential address (in full):
House No. : _____ Ward No. _____
Street/Bldg. name: _____ City/Village: _____
Constituency : _____ Taluka : _____ District : _____
Post Office : _____ Pin code : _____
6. *Contact details : (i) Landline : _____ (ii) Mobile : _____
(iii) e-mail : _____
7. *Religion Hindu Muslim Christian Others
8. Category : SC ST OBC Others
9. Ration Card No. : _____
10. *Aadhar Card No. :
11. EPIC number (if any):
12. Any other details : _____

Declaration

I, the undersigned, hereby declare that the information given above is true and correct, and nothing stated is false and ***I have not been benefited with this scheme earlier.*** I shall be personally responsible for any false and incorrect information/documents, for which the authorities shall be at liberty to take penal action as deem fit against me including filing criminal case.

Dated:

(Name & Signature of the Applicant)

Signed in presence of:

Signature, Name & Seal of

Member of Legislative Assembly / Member of Parliament, Government Officers, not below the rank of Additional / Special Secretaries to the Government of Goa and the District Magistrates.

NOTE: Fields marked in * are compulsory

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Authorisation to the Bank

Date :

**To,
The Branch Manager / Authorised Officer of
.....(name of Bank)**

Sir/Madam,

**Your are authorised to release an amount of ₹ 1,00,000/- to Ms.
..... whose details have been verified, in the form of
cash payment/ fixed deposit receipt.**

**Director
Directorate of Women & Child Development**

Price: ₹ 5/-
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(dd/mm/yyyy)
3. *Name of the Applicant's (i) Mother: _____
(ii) Father: _____
(iii) Guardian: _____
4. *Married : Yes No
5. *Residential address (in full):
House No. : _____ Ward No. _____
Street/Bldg. name: _____ City/Village: _____
Constituency : _____ Taluka : _____ District : _____
Post Office : _____ Pin code : _____
6. *Contact details : (i) Landline : _____ (ii) Mobile : _____
(iii) e-mail : _____
7. *Religion Hindu Muslim Christian Others
8. Category : SC ST OBC Others
9. Ration Card No. : _____
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PART II

The application shall be enclosed with the following documents:

1. Self Certified copy of Birth Certificate of the applicant.
 2. Residence Certificate of the applicant. In lieu of the Residence Certificate, the previous School Leaving Certificate and the current Bonafide Student Certificate issued by the recognized Educational Institution in which the Girl is presently studying can also be produced. However, in case of girls who discontinued education at school level, the gap period i.e. from the time of discontinuation of education till completion of 18 years of age/marriage as the case may be may be proved by production of residence certificate. In case of graduates, the certificates of passing of Xth, XIIth and Graduation is adequate evidence.
 3. Self Certified copy of Ration Card.
 4. Self Certified copy of Aadhar Card.
 5. Self Certified copy of the Civil Marriage Registration Certificate, which may also include the first registration certificate.
 6. Self Certified copy of 15 years or 25 years Residence Certificate of one of the parent(s) of the applicant as the case may be.
In lieu of the Residence Certificate, any documentary evidence to prove the residence for the specified period can also be produced which may include:
 - i. the land records i.e. tenancy rights; mundcarial rights; occupancy rights, etc;
 - ii. Employment certificate; or
 - iii. Any such records to the satisfaction of the Committee..)
 7. Self Certified copy of Birth Certificate of one of the parent(s) of the applicant as the case may be:
If no birth certificate is available, one of the following documents can be produced showing the details namely the date and place of Birth of the parent(s):
 - i. Baptism certificate;
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 - iii. Any document which establishes that one of the grandparents of the girl have lived in Goa around the time of the date of birth claimed by the parent(s); or
 - iv. Any such records, which establishes the date of birth of the parent(s).
 8. Affidavit on ₹ 50/- stamp paper/or with special adhesive stamp in prescribed form Annexure II.
 9. Pre-receipt with revenue stamp (in duplicate) as prescribed.
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Annexure – II

(Fill in the blanks and strike out whichever is not applicable)
(on ` 20/- stamp paper or affix special adhesive stamp of ₹ 50/-)

A F F I D A V I T

I, ----- daughter of Shri -----
aged-----years, Indian National, resident of -----
-----do hereby state and affirm on oath as under:

1. That I have applied for financial assistance under the Laadli Laxmi Scheme.
2. That I am born at -----, State----- on -----
3. That I have completed 18 years of age as on ----- and that I am not above 40 years of age.
4. That I belong to -----religion.
5. That I belong to SC/ST/OBC/OTHERS category.
6. That I have been residing at the above notified address for last----- years and that I am resident of Goa for the last ----- years.
7. That my father/mother,----- (name of father/mother) is born in Goa and is also the resident of Goa for the last ----- years.
8. That my father/mother,----- (name of father/mother) is residing in Goa for last ----- years.
9. That I have studied / studying in Goa from -----(name and address of the Institution) for the period from----- to -----.(till date)

Solemnly affirmed on this -----th day of month of -----of the year-----

DEPONENT

Sworn before:

Sr. No.

PRE-RECEIPT

Received with thanks from *Director of Women and Child Development, Panaji* a sum of ₹ 1,00,000/- (*Rupees one lakh only*) in the form of *Fixed Deposit Receipt (FDR) / Cash towards financial assistance under Laadli Laxmi Scheme.*

Affix ₹ 1/-
Revenue
stamp

Date :

Name: _____

Place:

Address: _____

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Date :

Name: _____

Place:

Address: _____

