

## **Laadli Laxmi Scheme**

Laadli Laxmi Scheme was launched on 06/07/2012 as one of the flagship programmes of the State Government with an intention to address the undesirable tendency of female foeticides and with a aim towards erasing the general perception that the birth of a girl in the family is the burden on her parents/guardian during her marriage.

Approach:-

Directorate of Women & Child Development, Form available at Rs. 5/-.

Eligibility and Other Conditions:-

Any Girl who fulfils all of the following conditions is 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.

Financial Assistance:-

The beneficiaries under this scheme are paid Rs. 1.00 lakh as financial assistance provided they fulfill the criteria therein in the below mentioned category as under:-

i) on attaining the age of 18 years

ii) or on the occasion of her marriage and is applicable to girls between 19 to 40 years of age upto 31/03/2016 and now extended to 45 years prospectively w.e.f. 1/04/2016

The beneficiaries on attaining the age of 18 years are 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).

The beneficiaries on the occasion of marriage are paid cash through the Bank.

The beneficiary who is in possession of the Fixed deposit under the Scheme is now allowed to withdraw the amount after attaining the age of 21 years for her use in business/profession or for her further studies .

#### Application Procedure:-

The eligible beneficiary shall apply to the Director of Women and Child Development, Panaji-Goa in the prescribed form, complete in all respects with the self-certified copies of 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 from the time of discontinuation of education till completion of 18 years of age/marriage as the case may be proved by production of residence certificate. In case of graduates, the certificates of passing of X<sup>th</sup>, XII<sup>th</sup> and graduation is adequate evidence.
- (3) Self Certified copy of Aadhar Card.
- (4) Self Certified Copy of the Civil Marriage Registration Certificate which may also include the first registration certificate.
- (5) 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.

(6) 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;
- (ii) School leaving certificate of the parent(s).
- (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).
- (iv) Any such records, which establishes the date of birth of the parent(s).

(7) Self-Declaration.

(8) Pre-receipt with revenue stamp (in duplicate) as prescribed.

The Laadli Laxmi Scheme is being implemented through the branches of the following Banks.

1. State Bank of India
2. Bank of India
3. H.D.F.C. Bank