

**FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ's)
(PG Scholarship Scheme)**

Q.1	What are the eligibility criteria for grant of PG Scholarship?
Ans:	Post Graduate Scholarship is entitled only to full time GATE/GPAT qualified students admitted to AICTE approved programs viz. Master of Engineering, Master of Technology, Master of Architecture and Master of Pharmacy courses in AICTE approved Institutions and AICTE approved University Departments.
Q.2	Are the students qualifying GATE/GPAT exam after seeking admission in the course, eligible for grant of PG Scholarship ?
Ans:	Any student who qualifies the GATE/GPAT exam after the date of admission shall not be eligible for grant of scholarship for the reasons whatsoever it may be.
Q.3	What is the procedure for applying online for grant of PG Scholarship through DBT?
Ans:	Proposal for grant of PG Scholarship are called for through advertisement in leading newspapers. Students/Institutes are advised to follow the procedure and guidelines contained therein. Copy of the advertisement can be viewed by visiting AICTE portal at http://www.aicte-india.org/bulletin.php
Q.4	What are the document required to be uploaded by the student?
Ans:	Students are required to upload to following documents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Scanned PDF copy of GATE/GPAT score card. b) Scanned PDF copy of the passbook c) Scanned PDF copy of the Aadhaar card. Students of J&K, Meghalaya and Assam are exempted. d) Scanned PDF copy of caste certificate. e) Scanned PDF copy of the Non-Creamy Layer (NCL) certificate in respect of only OBC candidates. Non-Creamy Layer (NCL) should not be old more than 1 year.
Q.5	Can the Joint Account with family members be uploaded? (The PDF copy of the same.)
Ans:	No, Joint account is not accepted. Only Basic General Savings account/Normal account should be opened in the name of the student in any Nationalized bank. Student should open " NO FRILL ACCOUNT".
Q.6	During the period of the course can a student open a fresh Bank account or change the Branch of Savings Bank account.
Ans:	Bank and Branch should not be changed during the period of course preferably for smooth disbursement of PG scholarship.
Q.7	The data on the portal is submitted for the purpose of grant of PG Scholarship but it is not visible on the portal. What can the reasons be thereof.
Ans:	Every data/attendance uploaded by the student/Institution is required to be submitted by pressing "Submit Application" button. Check up with your Institution whether "submit application" button has been pressed or not while submitting the data.
Q.8	Whether students from sponsored categories/Management quota/foreign students are eligible for grant of PG Scholarship?
Ans:	No, Students from non-sponsored categories/Management quota/foreign students admitted with valid GATE/GPAT Score card are not eligible for grant of PG Scholarship.

Q.9	Whether the PG Scholarship is admissible to the GATE/GPAT qualified student admitted in part time courses?
Ans:	No, PG Scholarship is admissible to the GATE/GPAT qualified students, admitted only in full time course.
Q.10	Whether a student who is recipient of Scholarship either through State Government or Central Government sponsored schemes is eligible for grant of PG scholarship?
Ans:	No, the student who is in receipt of any kind of Scholarship/Stipend or salary etc. is not eligible for grant of PG Scholarship.
Q.11	Eligibility for grant of PG Scholarship to the student who had wrongly entered his/her category as General category while appearing for GATE/GPAT exam whereas she/he has secured the qualifying marks earmarked marks for his/her category i.e. OBC/SC/ST category.
Ans:	Eligibility is considered on the basis of the category mentioned by the student while appearing for GATE/GPAT exam.
Q.12	Whether students are entitled for grant of any kind of medical leave, leave taken in emergent cases during the total duration of 24 months of the course.
Ans:	Students are eligible for following leaves: Casual leave : 15 days in a academic year. Medical leave : Maximum of one month (30 days) in academic year Maternity leave : As per the Govt of India instructions time to time.
Q.13	What is the cut-off date for grant of PG Scholarship? Whether PG Scholarship is entitled for extended classes and what is the duration of the period for grant of PG Scholarship?
Ans:	No, PG Scholarship is tenable only for 24 months or for the duration of the course i.e. from the date of commencement of classes till the date of completion of the classes whichever is lower and is not extendable under any circumstances. PG Scholarship is not entitled for extended classes.
Q.14	What is the reason for long delay in receipt of PG Scholarship?
Ans:	The attendance/data submitted by the student/institute has to be processed at various levels. It consumes considerable time to release the PG Scholarship subject to availability of funds, leading to delays.
Q.15	What is the procedure for Editing/Deleting the data wrongly entered by the Student/Institute?
Ans:	In case wrong data has been forwarded/entered on the portal, Student/Institute may lodge their grievance through e-mail supported with scanned copies of the documents with AICTE for resolving the issue. Help line number 011-29581000, 011-29581333 (for portal related technical issues).
Q.16	How to block the Student ID in case the student leaves the course in midway? /midcourse?
Ans:	In case, any student leaves the course in midway he/she will be required to refund the total PG Scholarship drawn at the time of leaving the course. After refunding the scholarship drawn, student may approach the Institute for blocking the student ID created by them.

Q.17	What is the procedure for refunding the PG Scholarship drawn by the student on acquiring the fresh admission in AICTE approved Institutions/IIT's/NIT's etc?
Ans:	Refund in shape of demand draft favouring "Member Secretary, AICTE" New Delhi through his/her previous Institution is to be done, for PG Scholarship drawn till date.
Q.18	Whether uploading of the data of Aadhaar card is mandatory?
Ans:	Yes, as per Department of Higher Education notification, scholarships have to be Aadhaar seeded and payment done through the Aadhaar Payment Gateway. Therefore, bank account should be aadhaar active.
Q.19	Can a passed out student taking 2nd admission on the basis of re-qualifying GATE/GPAT exam and already availed the scholarship from any source be eligible for scholarship?
Ans:	No, PG Scholarship is not admissible to passed out students taking 2 nd time admission on the basis of re-qualifying GATE/GPAT exam who have already availed the scholarship from AICTE or any other Centrally funded Institution like – IIT's, NIT's and IIIT's etc.
Q.20	What is the schedule for marking attendance/forwarding of list of absentees?
Ans:	Attendance/list of absentees is to be marked/forwarded positively till 15 th for disbursement by 30 th of every month.
Q.21	Whom to contact in case of any difficulties in accessing the portal for submitting online application?
Ans:	One can avail Helpdesk Service on e-mail ID pgscholarship@aicte-india.org , phone number 011-29581000 and for technical issues in the portal students/Institutions can make call on - 011-29581333 (from 9.30 am to 5.30 pm) on all working days (Monday-Friday) for any queries.