Q.1 Who is Eligible for PRAGATI & SAKSHAM Scholarship?

Ans: Eligibility criteria under the PRAGATI & SAKSHAM Scholarship scheme:

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Q.2 I am an Eligible Candidate for PRAGATI / SAKSHAM Scholarship. How Can I apply for this scholarship?

Ans: Log on to www.aicte-pragati-saksham-gov.in & apply for Online Registration and follow the instructions on How to fill the online application.

Q.3 I am an Eligible Candidate for both PRAGATI and SAKSHAM Scholarships. Can apply for both the scholarships?

Ans: No, you can apply under one scheme only for Scholarship.
Q.4 Is AADHAAR Card a Mandatory Document for PRAGATI (or) SAKSHAM Scholarship?

Ans: Yes. Aadhaar card and Aadhaar seeded bank account in the name of candidate is mandatory for submitting online application under Pragati/Saksham schemes.

Q.5 Which Web Browser should be used to open the Online Application for PRAGATI / SAKSHAM Scholarship?

Ans: Any of the existing web browsers like Internet Explorer, Mozilla, Chrome, etc., may be used.

Q.6 Do I need to upload any Scanned Documents at Portal (AICTE Website), when I apply online for PRAGATI / SAKSHAM Scholarship?

Ans: YES. Please refer to Instructions at www.aicte-pragati-saksham-gov.in/ for details.

Q.7 What format and size of Photograph and Signature to be uploaded in portal through online application for PRAGATI/SAKSHAM Scholarship?

Ans: Both Photograph & Signature should be in JPG/JPEG format. The file size for Photograph is <200kB and for Signature is < 50 Kb.

Q.8 Is there any User Manual/Instructions available on AICTE Website to guide the candidate to Apply Online for PRAGATI / SAKSHAM Scholarship?

Ans: Instructions for filling online application (How to fill Online Application for PRAGATI/SAKSHAM Scholarship) published at www.aicte-pragati-saksham-gov.in can be referred.

Q.9 Is there any E-mail (or) Helpline No. for PRAGATI /SAKSHAM Scholarship Queries?

Ans: YES. You can avail helpline services on pragatisaksham@aicte-india.org(e-mail ID) for any queries.

Q.10 Is it compulsory for me to apply Online to become eligible for Claiming Scholarship under PRAGATI / SAKSHAM?

Ans: Yes. You are required to apply through Online only and upload legible copy of the required documents to become eligible. Offline applications are liable to rejected.

Q.11 Whom to contact in case of any difficulties in accessing the Portal for submitting Online Application?

Ans: You can avail Helpdesk Service on pragatisaksham@aicte-india.org(e-mail ID) for any queries.
Q.12 What is the Scholarship amount for each Student and Number of Scholarships available under PRAGATI/SAKSHAM Scholarship Scheme(s)?

Ans: Details of the two scholarships are as follows:

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Q.13 Is there any reservation for SC/ST/OBC Students? What is percentage of Reservation for SC/ST/OBC Students?

Ans: Yes 15%, 7.5% & 27% of Scholarships will be reserved for SC, ST & OBC Students respectively under each Scholarship scheme.

Q.14 I have forgotten my password. How can I reset my password?

Ans: Click on Forgot Password and enter the registered email ID. Password will be sent on the given e-mail.

Q.15 Whether a student admitted through Management Quota is eligible for PRAGATI/SAKSHAM Scholarship?

Ans: No. Students admitted through Centralized Counseling Process (For Government Quota) are only eligible for Scholarship under PRAGATI/SAKSHAM Scheme.
Q.16 Whether scholarship will be disbursed though College/Institute?

**Ans:** No. Scholarship will be disbursed only through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) directly in the bank account of the student. Student must have General Saving Account in the bank. (FRILL/Minor/Joint account will not be accepted).

Q.17 I am first year Diploma student (2015-16) eligible for PRAGATI Scholarship and having Joint Saving Bank Account along with my Father. Am I eligible to use that Joint Saving Bank Account number for PRAGATI Scholarship?

**Ans:** NO. You can’t use any Joint Savings Bank Account either for PRAGATI or SAKSHAM Scholarship (You should have Individual Account in your name properly mentioned as in the application form. (Variation in spelling the name or marital status may lead to delay in processing etc.).

Q.18 I am a Diploma passed candidate and taken admission for second year B.E/B.Tech under lateral entry scheme for the year 2015-16 in AICTE Approved Institution. Am I eligible to apply for Scholarship either under PRAGATI/SAKSHAM Scheme?

**Ans:** NO. You are not eligible to apply under PRAGATI/SAKSHAM Scholarship scheme.

Q.19 I am First year B.E/B.Tech Student (2015-16) from one of the leading Deemed University in India. Am I eligible to apply for PRAGATI/SAKSHAM Scholarship Scheme of AICTE?

**Ans:** NO. Students studying in AICTE approved Institutions only are eligible to apply for PRAGATI/SAKSHAM Scholarship.

Q.20 I am first year Diploma student (2015-16) and recipient of one of the leading merit scholarships of State Government. Am I eligible to apply for PRAGATI Scholarship?

**Ans:** NO. Students who are already in receipt of any of the scholarships (either State or Central Government Sponsored), are not eligible to apply for PRAGATI/SAKSHAM Scholarships. However, in case of Candidates availing tuition fee waiver/tuition fee reimbursement, an amount of Rs. 30,000/- may be reimbursed to the candidates selected for this scheme for the purchase of Books/Equipment/Software’s/ Laptops/ Desktop/Vehicle/Fee paid towards competitive examination applications forms/exam fee for all examinations related to higher education/employment. Saksham only students are also eligible to reimburse for specific equipments/software’s for visually impaired/speech and hearing disabled (Proof of purchase to be attached).

Q.21 I am first year B.E student under J & K Admissions Scheme in one of the leading Engineering Colleges for the year 2015-16 and having eligibility for both PRAGATI & SAKSHAM. Am I eligible to apply for PRAGATI/SAKSHAM Scholarship?

**Ans:** NO. You are not eligible, since you are already in receipt of one of Scholarships of Government of India implemented by AICTE.