

Tuition Fee Waiver Scheme (TFW) of AICTE

Applicable only for undergraduate level engineering/ technology/ pharmacy/ architecture courses.

The Tuition Fee Waiver Scheme of AICTE has been implemented by the State Govt. in the Higher Education Department for all the AICTE approved Govt. Engineering and Technology Colleges, Selffinancing Engineering, Technology, Pharmacy, Architecture Colleges, Universities/University Departments imparting Engineering, Technology, Pharmacy, Architecture education effectively from the academic session of 2011-12 for economically backward meritorious students of West Bengal.

Availability of seats under TFW Scheme along with other modalities:

- (i) Up to maximum of 5% of sanctioned intake per course are available on supernumerary basis (over and above the sanctioned seats) for admission under this scheme.
- (ii) For Universities/University Departments, seats available for admission under this scheme shall be as per the decision of the concerned University Authority.
- (iii) The waiver is limited to the Tuition Fee only for all the Institutions concerned. All other fees except tuition fee will have to be paid by the beneficiary.
- (iv) In the event of non-availability of students in this category or in-case of any vacancy created due to non-reporting of any candidate, already selected under this scheme, the seats shall not be allotted to any other category of applicants.
- (v) The selection of candidates for the Tuition Fee Waiver Scheme shall be decided on the basis of merit and preference of eligible students in the State Joint Entrance Examination (WBJEEM-2015).

Eligibility criteria:

- (i) Students must be domiciled in West Bengal.
- (ii) Submission of Photo-Copy of Domicile Certificate as prescribed in Section 5.3.3 of this Information Brochure is a mandatory requirement to be considered under this scheme.
- (iii) Total annual Family Income of the student from all sources must be less than Rs. 2.50 lakhs (Rupees two lakhs and fifty thousand) only.
- (iv) Submission of Photo-Copy of Income Certificate as prescribed in Appendix-VIII of this Information Brochure is a mandatory requirement to be considered under this scheme.

Procedure for submission of Income Certificate in respect of annual family income in favour of applicant students:

- (i) Candidates must submit the 'Income Certificate' as per the Blank Proforma provided vide

(ii) The 'Blank Proforma' is downloadable in duplicate. Get it downloaded and printed in duplicate on A4 size paper.

(iii) Get the Certificate Filled in properly and duly authenticated/signed by a Competent Authority as per the list provided here under.

(iv) The Duplicate Copy of the Certificate is to be kept with the Office of the Issuing Authority for future reference/verification in the matter.

The candidate must retain the original certificate and shall have to produce it at the Reporting Centre during admission.

Competent Authority to issue 'Income Certificate' in respect of annual family income in favour of applicant students:

For the purpose of determining the Annual Income of parents/ guardians from all sources, an officer of the State Govt. in the rank of Block Development Officer or Sub-Divisional Officer or Additional District Magistrate or District Magistrate/ Group 'A' Gazetted Officer of State or Central Govt. of similar rank or above in the rural region.

Or

Executive Officer of Municipality/ Assistant Commissioner or above in Municipal Commissionerate/ Group "A" Gazetted Officer of State or Central Govt. of similar rank or above in the urban region will be competent to issue Income Certificate to be issued to each of such students.

Note: No elected people's representative like municipal commissioner, councillor of Municipal Corporation, any elected member of three-tier Panchayat system or GTA, MLA or MP is entitled to issue such certificates.