



# **BELDA COLLEGE**

***POLICY DOCUMENT  
FOR AWARD OF  
SCHOLARSHIP,  
FREESHIP/CONCESSION  
ETC. TO STUDENTS***

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**Context:**

One of the major challenges students face while pursuing their higher education is to arrange funds for continuation of their study. Both Scholarships and Free ships are designed to promote education and are used as a tool to give financial aid to the students. The scholarship is basically a financial aid offered to students for pursuing studies while a free ship is an exemption of the fee amount. Various educational institutions offer Free ship i.e. exemption of the tuition fee ranging from 30 to 90 percent to students based on merit, whereas scholarships are offered to students based on merit and their family income. Scholarships are basically given for excellence in academics while free ships are given to economically weaker students. Candidates can be eligible for few scholarships automatically on the basis of their category and gender, according to the rules of some HEIs or the concerned Government.

Free ship is a financial aid given to a student to remit complete or part of the institution fee. It is also given to economically weaker students. Prospective candidates need to apply for the free ship and make sure to meet the criteria set by the organization offering it. Some HEIs offer free ship where they waive off the tuition fee, however, the student has to pay for the accommodation and food expenses. On the other hand, the scholarship consists of a particular amount irrespective of the tuition fee. It can be less or more than the tuition fee. On various occasions, candidates need to apply for a scholarship, and candidates become eligible for it automatically while applying to any college/university. Some HEIs offer need-based scholarships to candidates at the time of application. Apart from this, students can also get merit-based scholarships offered by various organizations, educational institutions, etc. There are two types of scholarships, need-based and merit-based. Some popular scholarships require nomination from the candidate's educational institution. Scholarships are offered by Governments, Educational institutions/university, Private organizations, companies and NGOs.

Belda College aims to provide monetary support to those students who come from low-income group families. The fund provided under free ship/scholarship/award scheme motivates the student to display better academic performance while pursuing graduate or postgraduate studies. Belda College offers students free ships/ concessions, scholarships, various awards on the basis of certain criteria. In the academic session 2020-2021, college provided student's concession in tuition fees to all students for the pandemic situation (Covid-19) and also offered award to the rank holders of various streams.

**Objectives:**

- To encourage the students to attend classes regularly and continue their studies at a low cost.
- To help the economically disadvantaged students pursue their studies at UG & PG levels with less economic burden on their family.
- To appreciate the academic performance of the meritorious students for encouraging them to display better performance in their area of excellence.
- To provide financial support to the students from low income families who face difficulties to meet the daily educational expenses.



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- To provide the meritorious students incentives for occupying ranks in University Examinations.

### **Policy:**

Management of Belda College offers free ship / concession in tuition fees to existing students. Procedure of free ship is basically based on the application of students; college authority decides the prospective students after scrutinisation of the applications. Considering some special situation in the society or country (e.g. pandemic etc.), free ship is also provided. Scholarship/Award/Prize etc. is given on the basis of merit.

### **Criteria for Receiving Free ship/Scholarship at Belda College:**

- Tuition fees are waived off for the students belonging to BPL category.
- Meritorious students receive scholarship/free ship at the sole discretion of the college authorities subject to their attendance in classes above 60%.
- Divyangjan students and students excelling in sports and cultural fields are also worthy of receiving free ship/scholarship.
- Due to the pandemic situation, college decided to offer 50% concession in tuition fees to all the students during the academic session 2020-2021.
- Students will have to make applications for getting free ship/ concession in tuition fees.

### **Students' Prize/Award:**

Highest scorers at PG & UG Level receive prize from the college management in each academic year. College management also offers prize/award for excellent performance in games/sports, extension and cultural activities.

### **Criteria for receiving Students' Award/ Prize:**

Belda College has instituted various awards for those PG and UG students who occupy highest rank in their University Examination every year.

Some of these prizes include:

- Swami Vivekananda Memorial Prize
- Kanaklata Devi Memorial Prize & Late Sourendramohan Chottopadhyay Memorial Prize.
- Best Library User Award
- Awards/prizes are given to the students for Good performance in NCC/NSS Activities, Games & Sports and Cultural Competition etc.

The Awards/Prizes offered by the college include:

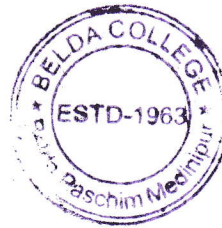
- a. Cash prize of Rs. 2000 each is provided to three highest scorers from UG section i.e. B.A (Hons.), B.Sc (Hons.) and B.Com (Hons.) in each academic year.
- b. College also offers cash prize of Rs. 3000 to two PG highest scorers from M.A and M.Sc. in each academic year.


**Scholarship from Other Sources:**

Belda College also assists the students in applying for financial assistance under various scholarship schemes which are provided by the Government and Non-Government organization. Some of them are given below:

- Chief Minister Relief Fund
- Swami Vivekananda Merit cum Means Scholarship
- Post Matric scholarship
- Kanyashree Prakalpa
- Nirman Karmi Scholarship
- National Scholarship Portal (Central sector scheme of scholarships for college and university students)
- Aikyashree Scholarship
- Jindal Trust Scholarship
- Sarada Scholarship (Sarada Kalyan Bhandar)

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