

Central Institute of Indian Languages
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Announcement of Scholarships

1. Introduction:

The Central Institute of Indian Languages (CIIL) is an apex institute dealing with the promotion of Indian Languages under the Ministry of Education, Government of India. It advises and assists the central government, state government and various government agencies on language policies and related matters. This Institute is often called upon to help fulfil a variety of evaluation requirements of the country involving a number of languages, levels of education, and a range of purposes. Under the scheme of Fellowships and Scholarships, CIIL is encouraging language-related promotional activities by awarding **Five (05) Scholarships** every year.

2. Objectives of the Scholarship Scheme:

The general objective of this scheme is to provide an opportunity to students belonging to Scheduled Tribes to pursue Post Graduation/Master's/ Integrated Master's in Linguistics and Language Sciences in Indian Universities/Colleges/ Institutions as indicated below:

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- i. Universities/Institutions/Colleges included under section 2(f) and 12(b) of UGC Act, 1956.
- ii. Deemed to be Universities under section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956 which are eligible to receive grant in aid from UGC.
- iii. Universities/Institutions/Colleges funded by Central/ State Govt.
- iv. Institutes of National Importance.

And, the wider objective is to create skilled scholars in Linguistics and trained professionals for scientific study of Indian languages in the contemporary context. The specific objective is to encourage the pursuit of Linguistics/Language Sciences among the Scheduled Tribe young students and promote documentation, description and research on Indian languages.

3. Scope of the Scholarship Scheme:

The scholarships are intended to enable young tribal students to pursue Master's/Integrated Master's in Linguistics and Language Sciences. The awardees can pursue their course/programme in a recognized university/research institution of their choice.

4. Eligibility for Scholarship:

- 4.1 Persons of Scheduled Tribe having a minimum 50% marks or equivalent grades at the Under Graduation/Bachelor's level in Linguistics/Language Sciences or other relevant disciplines.
- 4.2 The applicant should not be more than 30 years of age on the last date of application. There shall be an age relaxation of 5 years for persons with benchmark disability candidates.
- 4.3 Candidates who have already availed/availed any other fellowships or scholarships are not eligible to apply. Moreover the applicant has to certify along with application that he/she has not availed/availed any other fellowship/scholarships at Master's degree level.
- 4.4 Bona fide students registered for Master's degree/Integrated Master's degree in a recognized University/Institute in India are eligible to apply.
- 4.5 In case of Integrated MA/MSc, the applicant should have successfully completed the course requirements equivalent to three-year Bachelor's degree.
- 4.6 The maximum duration of the scholarship is two (02) years. The duration is not extendable under any circumstances.
- 4.7 The number of slots available under the Scholarships Scheme is **Five (05)**.
- 4.8 The amount of finance assistance for Scholarships is Rs. 10,000 per month and an annual contingency grant of Rs. 20,000.

5. Other Conditions:

- 5.1 The candidate should be unemployed and the scholarship will be limited to extremely deserving candidates. It may be noted that the scholarship is not based on the scholar's status as a student of Master's programme. Rather, it is based on the scholar's continuous progress and performance.
- 5.2 A scholar is not entitled for same type of scholarship more than once.
- 5.3 While accepting scholarship from CIIL, the scholar should not accept any other fellowship/scholarship from any other University/Institute.
- 5.4 The scholar must be admitted on regular/full time basis at the affiliating University/Institute. The scholarship shall stop in case the scholar fails or is not promoted to the next semester.
- 5.5 The progress of the scholars shall be reviewed periodically/time to time and the scholarship being granted by the institute may be discontinued, if the progress is found unsatisfactory.
- 5.6 The scholarship will be terminated at the end of two years from the date of joining or on the day of completion of Master's/Integrated Master's, whichever is earlier.
- 5.7 The scholarship of the last three months and contingency of the final year will be released only after the completion and receipt of the marks memo and certificate by the Institute.
- 5.8 The Institute reserves the right to reject any application or withdraw/cancel the scholarship without assigning any reason. The final decision related to the interpretation of the guidelines or any issues not discussed above is vested with the Director, CIIL.

6. Selection Procedure:

The selection of eligible candidates is based on performance in the scholarship test conducted by the Institute. The scholarship test may take place online or on-site at CIIL, Mysore.

7. Reservation:

All five slots of this Scholarship Scheme are reserved for persons belonging to Scheduled Tribes. The term Scheduled Tribe here refers to persons recognized as Scheduled Tribe in accordance with the Article 366 (25) of the Constitution of India.

8. Disbursement of scholarship:

The Central Institute of Indian Languages will credit the monthly scholarship to the bank account of the scholar by PFMS/online transfer. For this, each scholar will be required to submit a 'certificate of satisfactory performance' to CIIL on a bi-annual basis. The release of the monthly scholarship from the second semester onwards will be subject to successful completion of the preceding semester and the receipt of the progress report attested by the concerned department. Annual contingency grant to the extent of actual expenditure incurred per annum will be credited to the account of the scholar after the receipt and scrutiny of the bills/vouchers submitted and duly signed by the scholar and countersigned by the Head of the Department.

9. Application Procedure:

Online submission of applications is preferred. To apply, please visit the online application portal of CIIL at <https://apply.ciil.org/> latest by 21 May 2024. In exceptional circumstances, applications complete in all respects can be submitted by email to fellowships.ciil@gmail.com latest by 21 May 2024.

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