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NOTIFICATION

The Government of Goa hereby makes the following scheme namely: **The Patrakarb Kritadnyata Nidhi Scheme (Journalist Benevolent Fund).**

THE PATRAKARB KRITADNYATA NIDHI SCHEME (JOURNALISTBENEVOLENT FUND).

1. Aims and Objectives:-

Whereas it is considered expedient to provide for the constitution of a Patrakar Kritadnyata Nidhi (Journalist Benevolent Fund) for the purpose of providing immediate financial assistance to needy journalists found to be in indigent circumstances, in the following emergency cases:

- a) To meet the expenses on marriage of daughter.
- b) To meet the expenses on major /minor operation/ medical Treatment of self or family.
- c) To meet the expenses in connection with funeral of the journalist.
- d) Expense on travel/incidental expense moving from local hospital to our station for treatment.
- e) Medical reimbursement for general expenses incurred by journalist for self and family dependents.
- f) Scholarship/incentives to the wards of journalists who are proceeding on higher education in the State and outside.
- g) Financial Assistance to be provided for self –Employment venture.
- h) House repair /construction of the Journalists in the event of natural calamities.
- i) Lumpsum grants on the death of the journalists to the next kin.

2. Eligibility:

Any journalist born and brought up in the State of Goa.

- a) Journalist means a person having worked in an established newspaper/periodical magazine at least for three years at a stretch (certificate to that effect shall be presented to the Department along with application) and not engaged in any other profession and duly registered with Department of Information and Publicity, Government of Goa.
- b) Journalist should be born in Goa or he should have been working in a newspaper establishment in the State of Goa at least for three years continuously at a stretch (Proof to be submitted along with application).

- c) Journalist who have availed of benefits offered by Government of Goa from some other schemes already in operation for general citizens, i.e. Kanyadan Scheme, Mediclaim, CMRY, Disaster Management Scheme etc shall be ineligible for availing the scheme for the same purpose read at clause (a) (b) and vice versa.
- d) The Department of Information and Publicity, Government of Goa shall register the Journalist who apply in the form prescribed by the Department and maintain a list. The Journalist, so registered shall renew the registration by June 30th every year.
- e) That the applicant shall submit a Declaration to the effect that no benefits financial assistance have been availed from the Government or any of its organization.
- f) That in case of treatment, original bills and photocopies of documents of hospital/institution must be submitted.
- g) In case of application made for specific treatment necessary certificate from Doctor from the hospital/institution from where the treatment is proposed to be taken/is being taken must be submitted.
- h) In case a journalist wants to avail of super speciality treatment the Committee would recommend Rs. 02 lakhs. Bills should be submitted within three months. *(Amendment Date:-February 4, 2011/Notification No: - DIP/Schemes/PKN/2010/6078).*

3. Nature and Quantum of Assistance:

An amount of Rs. 10.00 lakhs will be provided initially to Patrakar Kritadnyata Nidhi to meet the requirements under the Scheme and the same will be disbursed to the needy journalists as per criteria and selection/recommendation by the Sub-Committee to be constituted by the Government.

The maximum amount the Sub-Committee could consider in each case read it clause 1 (a) to (i) shall be Rs. 2.00 lakhs.

The Government shall increase the fund to Patrakar Kritadnyata Nidhi by Rs. 2.00 lakhs every year to meet the requirement.

4. Application procedure:

- a) Interested applications may apply directly to the Director of Information and Publicity, in a prescribed form or
- b) The sub-committee/ Government may suo-moto take cognizance of any case for assistance based on information placed before it . In all such cases detailed justification be kept on record.

5. Sub Committee:

The Government will constitute a Sub-Committee which shall have the following:

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| i. | Secretary (Information & Publicity) | Chairman |
| ii. | President/Secretary, Goa Union of Journalist | Member |
| iii. | President/Secretary, Goa Editors Guild | Member |
| iv. | Director, Information & Publicity | Member Secretary |

The Sub-Committee shall meet as and when required and shall consider the applications received for this purpose. The Sub-Committee shall recommend the names of the journalists in indigent circumstances to the Government to avail the benefits under this scheme. In the circumstance, where Committee could not meet, the Director of Information & Publicity shall obtain of the Committee by circulation and sanction the immediate relief on approval of the Government.

6. Disbursement Procedure

On receipt of application for grant under this scheme, the Director of Information and Publicity shall scrutinize the application thoroughly and give his recommendations to the Sub-Committee, which shall decide the quantum of assistance to be released to the needy journalist. After obtaining Government approval, the Director of Information and Publicity shall disburse the one time financial assistance amount to the eligible applicant. All disbursement shall only be through cheques.

7. Framing of Guidelines

For better implementation of this scheme, Government may frame guidelines from time to time, if required.

8. Relaxation

The Government is empowered to relax all or any clauses provided in his scheme, if deemed fit, for reasons to be recorded.

9. Interpretation

If any question arises regarding interpretation of any clause, word, expression or entire scheme, then the decision about the interpretation shall lie with the Government.

10. Redressal of Grievances and Dispute

If any grievance arises, out of implementation of this scheme then, the Minister of Information and Publicity shall hear and decide such matter and the decision of the Minister for Information and Publicity in his regard shall be final

This has been issued with the concurrence of Finance Department under their U.O.No.5948 dated 03/11/2009.

Panaji, March 19,2010

By Order and in the name of Governor of Goa
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(Menino Peres)
Director of Information & Publicity
&
Ex- Officio Jt. Secretary to Govt.

PATRAKAR KRITADNYATA NIDHI
APPLICATION FORM

Photo of applicant
to be attested by a
Gazetted Officer

1. Name of applicant (In Capital): _____
2. Permanent Residential Address : _____

3. Telephone No.(if any) : _____ Mobile No: _____
4. Date of Birth/Age : _____
(Birth Certificate (Attested copy to be attached))
5. Field of Journalism : _____
6. Name of the Organization presently working: _____

7. Particulars of Significant work done in the field of Journalism (testimonials in proof of the outstanding work done to be attached, if required a separate sheet may be attached:

8. Previous work experience: _____(Attach proof)
9. Annual income from all sources: Rs. _____per a
10. Details of number of persons wholly dependent on the applicant:

Name	Age	Relationship with applicant	Marital status	Occupation	Income per month
1	2	3	4	5	6

11. Whether the Applicant is in receipt of any award in the field of Journalism:

12. Recommendation from two persons/institutions who have technical knowledge of the applicants work and who will be in position to justify the work done.
(Recommendation letter to be attached)

Sr. No.	Name & Address	Telephone	Signature
1.			
2.			

13. Amount of Financial Assistance required: _____

14. Any other relevant information:

I, solemnly declare that the information furnished herein is correct to the best of my knowledge. In case of any false statement made by me herein above, I give an undertaking to the Government to refund the amount if any received by me. I will abide by all the terms and conditions of the Department related to the scheme if the assistance is conferred on me.

Signature & Name of the applicant/journalist

Date:

Place: