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Karnataka Central Diocese

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All Presbyters and Deacons,
Karnataka Central Diocese

Dear Friends,

Sub: Diocesan Higher Education Scholarship

Kindly make the following announcement on three consecutive Sundays, i.e., August 30, 2026, September 6th and 13th, 2026.

Applications from the eligible candidates to award Diocesan Higher Education Scholarship for the year 2025-2026 are invited. The following points may kindly be noted:

1. The Scholarship is available only for the following courses:
    a. PUC or its equivalent.
    b. B.A., B.Sc., B.Com., BBA, BCA
    c. Post Graduate Degrees or Doctoral Degrees, MCA, MBA, M.Sc. Nursing, MSW, M.Com., Ph.D.
    d. Professional Courses like Law, Engineering, Medicine, Business Management, TCH, B.Ed., C.P.Ed., B.Sc. Nursing, B.Tech., D.Ed., B.E., M.Tech., BDS.
    e. Polytechnic, Nursing, Para Medical (Certificate Course of 1 or 2 years), Secretarial, Computer Courses if undertaken after completion of SSLC / PUC.
    f. Special consideration will be given to those who have admission through CET or in other State or National Entrance Examinations.
    g. Correspondence Courses and Distant Education Courses are not eligible.

2. The Application Forms are available with the Diocesan Secretary **from August 31, 2026.** The cost of the Application Form is Rs. 50/- (Rupees Fifty Only) per Form.

3. The duly filled in Application Forms along with the enclosures should be handed over by the individual or the Presbyter to the Diocesan Secretary's Office. The last date for receiving Application Forms in the Diocesan Secretary's Office is **Monday, September 14, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.**

4. Any applications received after the said date will not be considered.

5. **Eligibility:**
    a. The applicant and parents of the applicant should be subscribing members of one of the Churches in the Diocese for a period of at least one year.
    b. Except for those applicants who apply for Merit Scholarship, the combined income of the parents should not be more than Rs. 35,000/- (Rupees Thirty Five Thousand Only) per month.
    c. The applicant should have obtained admission in a regular College / Institution for the academic year at the time of application.

6. Applications should be submitted along with the following documents:
    a. Letter in original from the Presbyter stating that the applicant and his/her parents are members of good standing in the Church.
    b. Monthly salary slip or salary certificate / self-declaration in case of self employed endorsed by the Pastor to indicate the income of the parents (in original).
    c. Photocopy of the Marks Card.
    d. A Certificate in original either from the Principal or the authorised person of the College/Institution stating that the applicant is a student of a particular College / Institution.

7. Incomplete Application Forms will not be considered.

8. The applicant is eligible to apply for renewal of Scholarship in the following years as well provided the applicant has not failed in that particular year.

9. The above rules are applicable to children of Presbyters and other employees of the Diocese also, except that the restriction of parental income of less than Rs. 35,000/- (Rupees Thirty Five Thousand Only) is waived off.

10. Only one Scholarship will be disbursed per family. Presbyters are requested to ensure that this condition is strictly adhered to.

Please note that several children have been denied of the Scholarship earlier simply because the necessary documents were not included along with the Application Form. Kindly ensure that the proper announcements are made and the necessary supporting documents are enclosed with the Form.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

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CC: Officers of the Diocese
Area Chairpersons, KCD