

WELFARE SCHEMES FOR SC/ST COMMUNITY

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The Directorate of Social Welfare has informed of the various schemes implemented by the Dr. Ambedkar Foundation for SC/ST community.

Under the Dr Ambedkar Medical Aid scheme, an applicant belonging to the SC/ST community whose annual financial income does not exceed Rs 3 lakhs is entitled for financial assistance to cover expenses involving major ailments which need surgery i.e. kidney, heart liver etc. They can avail Rs 1.25 lakhs for heart surgery, Rs, 3.50 lakhs for kidney surgery/dialysis, Rs 1.75 lakhs for cancer surgery, chemotherapy/radiotherapy, Rs 1.50 lakhs for brain surgery, Rs. 3.50 lakhs for kidney/organ surgery, Rs 1.00 lakhs for spinal surgery and Rs 1.00 lakhs for other life threatening diseases.

Under the Dr. Ambedkar National Relief to SC/ST victims of Atrocities, an SC/ST applicant should have suffered atrocities committed by other communities and the atrocity should be heinous under the POA Act, 1989, like murder, rape, arson etc. The assistance shall be up to a maximum of Rs 5 lakhs.

Under the Dr Ambedkar Scheme for Social Integration through Inter Caste Marriage, an applicant should be a bona fide resident of the State of Goa. Both the husband and wife should live together for more than one year and within three of their marriage and one of the spouse should be S.C. They will get financial assistance of Rs 2.50 lakhs. For more details visit www.ambedkarfoundation.nic.in

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