

संघ प्रदेश दा.न.ह. एवं द.दी. प्रशासन, U.T. Administration of DNH & DD,
शिक्षा निदेशालय, Directorate of Education,
दमण, 396220 Daman, 396220.

No. DE/DNHDD/Revised SVY/2025-26/ 1034

Date : 23 / 04/ 2026

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of powers under Delegation of Financial Powers Rules, 2024, the Hon'ble Administrator, Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu is pleased to approve implementation of revision of Saraswati Vidya Yojana in UT of DNH & DD in supersession to all earlier notifications issued in this regard as under:

I. Name of Scheme:- Saraswati Vidya Yojana

II. Department:- Directorate of Education, Daman, UT of DNH & DD

III. Introduction:-

The UT Administration of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu has envisaged a 'Saraswati Vidya Yojana' for the girl students of UT of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu. The scheme aims to encourage girl students to continue education keeping in view the aim of "Beti Bachao Beti Padhao".

IV. Objective:-

The objective of the scheme is to retain the girl students at Secondary & Higher Secondary stage and thereby decreasing the Dropout of the girl students by providing Bicycle to the girl students of class VIII to commute to school. The scheme also aims to provide financial assistance to girl students pursuing higher education in professional courses thereby reducing gender disparity in the society and to empower girls education.

V. Target Beneficiaries/ Scope:-

- Girl students of class VIII of Government School of the UT of DNH and DD (for Free Distribution of Bicycles).
- Domicile Girl Students pursuing Professional Courses (Reimbursement of fees for Diploma/Graduation and Post-Graduation Professional Courses).

VI. Contact for Grievance Redressal:-

Dadra and Nagar Haveli	Daman	Diu
District Education Office , First Floor, Lekha Bhavan, Amla, Silvassa, Pin – 396230, Ph.–0260-2642098	Education Office (Daman) Shiksha Sadan, Moti Daman, Pin - 396220 Ph.– 0260 2231126	Education Department, Collectorate, Diu, Pin – 362520, Ph.–02875-252199

VII. Monitoring Committee:-

The committee shall be responsible for proper implementation of schemes.

i.	The Director of Education	:	Chairperson
ii.	Chief Executive Officers of respective District Panchayats	:	Member
iii.	Chief Officers of respective Municipalities	:	Member
iv.	Assistant Director of Education (Admin)	:	Member
v.	Assistant Director of Education (Acad.)	:	Member
vi.	District Education officers (Admin.) of respective district	:	Member

VIII. Budget Head:-

For Free Distribution of Cycle		For Reimbursement of fees	
2202	General Education	2202	General Education
02	Secondary Education	02	Secondary Education
109	Govt. Secondary school	109	Govt. Secondary School
10	Educational Promotional Scheme	10	Educational Promotional Scheme
10.00.21	Material and supplies	10.00.49	Other Revenue Expenditure

IX. Penalty Clause: -

If any applicant or beneficiary is found to be guilty for forgery of documents, false declaration, availing multiple benefit at a time, etc., shall be penalized by way of recovery or shall face legal actions as deemed fit.

The components of the Saraswati Vidya Yojana with its details are as follows: -

Component – I of Saraswati Vidya Yojana- Free Distribution of Bicycles**I. Salient features:-**

The girl students of class VIII of Government Schools of this UT will be provided bicycle for free.

II. Procedure: -

1. The concerned Head of the school shall provide the enrolment of Girls student in Std. VIII in respective Government Schools to the respective District Education Office.
2. Bicycles will be provided to the girl student at the time of commencement of the New Academic Year as per the enrollment provided by the Head of the schools.
3. The Head of the school shall be responsible for distribution of Bicycles in the respective schools.

III. Special/ General Conditions/ Scheme Guidelines:-

1. The girl students once availed the benefit will not be provided with the same in any of the subsequent year.
2. The Head of the school of Middle Schools/High Schools/Higher Secondary Schools shall hold the right to make necessary enquiry about the usage of the bicycles provided under the scheme.
3. The Directorate of Education and the District Offices shall hold the right to take legal action against the girls parents, if the bicycle is found to be sold.
4. The bicycle shall be seized from girl student who drops the school before completion of Higher secondary education.

Component – II – of Saraswati Vidya Yojana - Reimbursement of Fees for Diploma/Graduation and Post-Graduation Professional Courses

I. Nature of Assistance/Benefit: -

1. 100% of Tuition Fee & Academic Fees will be reimbursed to girl students whose parental/Husband income is **below ₹2.50 Lakhs.**
2. 50% of Tuition Fee & Academic Fees will be reimbursed to girl students whose parental/Husband income is **above ₹2.50 Lakhs.**
3. Re-imburement will be allowed subject to maximum ceiling of Rs.2.50 Lakhs (Rupees Two Lakh Fifty Thousand only) per year for girl students pursuing/pursued Diploma/Graduate Professional Courses and that of Rs.3.50 Lakhs (Rupees Three Lakh Fifty Thousand only) per year for girl students pursuing/pursued Post Graduation Professional courses.
4. In case of academic session of 1.5 year, the re-imburement will be allowed subject to maximum ceiling of Rs.3.75 Lakhs (Rupees Three Lakh Seventy-Five Thousand) per academic year for Graduate Professional courses and that of Rs. 5.25 Lakhs (Rupees Five Lakh Twenty-Five Thousand only) per academic year for Post-Graduation Professional courses.
5. An additional allowance of 50% of Hostel charges (excluding Mess Charges) with a capping of maximum Rs.30,000/-(Rupees Thirty Thousand) per year will be provided. The same is over and above the ceiling limit set above i.e. Rs.2.50 Lakhs/Rs.3.50 Lakhs, etc.

II. Eligibility Criteria:-

1. Father /Husband/ Guardian/ Mother (widow/ divorced) of the girl student should be a domicile resident of UT of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu.

2. In case the father of the girl student is not alive, and the girl student is fully dependent and living with the Guardian, the Guardian should provide a dependent certificate issued by the Mamlatdar of respective district.
3. The benefit shall not be provided to those girl students who have failed or having backlog in first attempt of any annual/ semester examination of the claiming academic year for which the application has been made for reimbursement.
4. Students should have studied Std. 8th to Std. 12th in any of the schools of the UT. In case the student has pursued Diploma after SSC/10th, the student should have studied Std. 6th to Std. 10th in any of the schools of the UT.
5. Only First two Girl Children of the family will be eligible for the benefits under this scheme.

Exclusion: -

1. The Scheme will not cover the student pursuing Diploma/ Graduation/ Post Graduation professional courses through correspondence or distance mode.
2. The accommodation fees of the students staying as paying Guest or in a flat system shall not be reimbursed. Hostel accommodation availed in respective college hostel and private registered students/ youth hostels will only be reimbursed.
3. This scheme shall not cover the students pursuing more than one courses at a time.

III. Special/ General Conditions/ Scheme Guidelines:-

1. The reimbursement of Tuition and Academic Fees shall be given to girl students who are pursuing Diploma/Graduation/Post Graduation Professional courses in institutions/universities recognized by UGC, AICTE, MCI, DCI, PCI, NCERT, NCTE, Nursing Council of India, etc.
2. The fees will be reimbursed of the institutions whose fees are approved by the respective States/UT Government Fee Fixation Committee.
3. While calculating Tuition and Academic Fees, the fees such as Capitation Fee, Infrastructure Fee and Development Fee will not be considered.
4. In case the Hostel Charges are inclusive of Mess Charges and the same is not mentioned separately in Fee Receipt, the Hostel Charges will be considered for 50% of the total amount of the aforesaid fee receipt.
5. In case the beneficiary is entitled to avail scholarship/ monetary benefit for the respective Academic Year under any other schemes of the U.T./ Govt. of India (Including Post matric scholarship) ,such amount shall be deducted from the benefit amount of this scheme and accordingly the scholarship amount shall be disbursed under the scheme.

6. **Special Clause** – Secretary (Education), UT of DNH&DD can recommend up to a maximum of 10 (ten) cases in a year (which may not fall in eligibility criteria) to a committee comprising of Advisor to Administrator, Secretary (Higher Education), and Secretary (Education) for getting benefits under this scheme.

Procedure for identification of beneficiaries: -

1. Applications will be called from eligible applications by way of advertisement in local newspaper and website.
2. The Scrutiny Committee in each district consisting of the following will scrutinize each application and support documents as per the eligibility criteria:-

i.	District Education Officer (Admin.)	:	Chairperson
ii.	Education Officer (Acad.)	:	Member
iii.	Assistant	:	Member
iv.	Accountant	:	Member
v.	Upper Division Clerk dealing with this scheme	:	Member
vi.	Lower Division Clerk dealing with this scheme	:	Member

3. The Scrutiny process will also consist of spot visit/physical verification of Colleges/Hostel (if required).
4. The Scrutiny Committee shall confirm whether the college has necessary Government recognition/affiliation.
5. Upon Scrutiny of these applications, minutes of the meeting will be prepared and placed for approval.
6. The Scholarship will be disbursed on approval of the Hon'ble Administrator, UT of DNH&DD.

IV. Payment Procedure: - The benefit will be reimbursed to the bank account of the beneficiary through the Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT).

V. Application Form and List of Documents to be attached: -

1. Original Fee Receipts.
2. Copy of Domicile Certificate of applicant's father/husband/guardian/Mother (widow/divorced).
3. Copy of Income Certificate of the father/husband/guardian/Mother (widow/divorced) issued by the Mamlatdar of the respective district if applied for 100% of reimbursement of fees.
4. Copy of the relevant order issued by concerned state/UT with respect to Fee Fixation of the respective college/institute.
5. Copy of Annual Exam/Semester result of the claiming Academic Year.

6. Copy of current year examination Marksheet.
7. Copy of Schooling Certificate stating the students have studied Std. 8th to Std. 12th in any of the schools of the UT. In case the student has pursued Diploma after SSC/10th, the Schooling Certificate shall be stating that the student should have studied Std. 6th to Std. 10th in any of the schools of the UT.
8. Copy of Aadhar card and Bank pass book (Aadhar seeded)
9. Declaration declaring that the student has availed benefit only under the Saraswati Vidya Yojana Scheme and that no such claim has been made in any of the other scheme for respective Academic Year for which the claim has been made. In case the student has availed certain amount in any other scheme, the benefited amount for the aforesaid respective Academic Year shall be disclosed in declaration.
10. Declaration from parents/guardian declaring that, benefit has not been taken under the above scheme for more than 02 (two) girl children.

IV. Timelines:-

1. Applications shall be invited **Online only** in 2 windows for immediate previous (one) Academic Year.

Window- I – Opens : 15th June

Closes : 15th July

Decision Deadline of Applications : 15th August

Window -II – Opens : 15th December

Closes : 15th January

Decision Deadline of Applications : 15th February

2. Students failing to apply in the window-I can apply in window- II.
3. Entire procedure should be completed within one month after closing of the respective window.

This is in supersession to all earlier notifications issued in this regard.

This is issued with the approval of the Hon'ble Administrator, UT of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu, vide diary No. 1517918 dated 09/04 /2026.

By order and in the name of the
Administrator of DNH & DD



(Dr. Vivek Kumar)
Special Secretary (Education)
UT of DNH & DD