

DIRECTORATE OF HIGHER EDUCATION, ASSAM

Standard Operating Procedure (SOP)

Implementation of Mukhya Mantrir Nijut Moina Aasoni (MMNMA)
and Mukhya Mantrir Nijut Babu Aasoni (MMNBA)
Academic Session 2026–27

This SOP has been prepared for implementation of the Mukhya Mantrir Nijut Moina Aasoni (MMNMA) and Mukhya Mantrir Nijut Babu Aasoni (MMNBA) for HEIs under the Directorate of Higher Education, Polytechnics under the Directorate of Technical Education, and for schools under the Directorate of School Education and BED institutions under SCERT.

Objectives of MMNMA and MMNBA

1. To promote access to higher education
2. To reduce student dropout
3. To provide financial assistance to eligible students
4. To encourage continuation of studies
5. To ensure gender parity in higher education

Financial Assistance provided by MMNMA

Course	Monthly Assistance
HS (1 st & 2nd Year)	₹800 (MMNMA)
Polytechnic (1st & 2nd Year)	₹800 (MMNMA)
UG / Polytechnic 3rd Year / ITEP	₹1,250 (MMNMA)
PG / B.Ed.	₹2,500 (MMNMA)

Financial Assistance provided by MMNBA

Course	Monthly Assistance
UG (MMNBA)	₹1,000
PG (MMNBA)	₹2,000

Timeline of the Ceremonial Distribution

- Distribution of Application Forms (DHE/DTE/SCERT): 6 August 2026
- Distribution of Application Forms (DSE): 7 August 2026

Commencement of the Application Form Distribution

1. The Application Forms for both schemes have already been disbursed to all eligible educational institutions. Moreover, soft copies (PDF format) of the Application Forms have also been shared with all concerned institutions.
2. The list of guests nominated for the ceremonial distribution has already been communicated to the respective educational institutions, and the District Administration

will coordinate with the assigned guests to facilitate the distribution of Application Forms at their respective institutions.

3. The eligible Higher Educational Institutions shall commence distribution of the MMNMA/MMNBA Application Forms only after the completion of the Central Ceremonial Distribution Programme in their respective districts.
4. Under no circumstances shall the application forms be distributed before the conclusion of the Central Programme.
5. The Central Programme will be held on 6th August 2026 at 12:30 PM at Srimanta Sankaradeva Kalakshetra.
6. The Central Programme will be live-streamed.
7. All designated institutions shall make necessary arrangements for the live telecast of the Central Programme.

Expectations from the District Commissioners

1. To organise institution-wise programme for distribution of Application Forms on 6th August 2026
2. To invite the Chief Guest for the programme on 6th August 2026.
3. Ensure live streaming of the central program in the educational institutions concerned.
4. For secondary schools, distribution will be done school-wise. No chief guests have been assigned for this. However, if the Hon'ble MLA desires, then distribution may be done in consultation with the Hon'ble MLA.
5. To coordinate with Higher Education Institutions and Inspector of Schools.
6. To facilitate Aadhaar enrollment of the students.

Eligibility

The eligibility criteria for availing benefits under the Mukhya Mantrir Nijut Moina Aasoni (MMNMA) are as follows:

1. The financial assistance is meant for all eligible girl students domiciled in Assam, irrespective of their economic status.
2. In-service girl students admitted to the B.Ed. course on deputation shall not be eligible under the scheme.
3. Daughters of Ministers, Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of the Legislative Assembly (MLAs) shall not be eligible under the scheme.
4. Girl students who receive a scooter under the Dr. Banikanta Kakati Merit Award of the Pragyan Bharati Scheme shall not be eligible for MMNMA. However, if a student opts out of receiving the scooter, she may apply for MMNMA. This condition shall not apply to Postgraduate (PG) and B.Ed. students.
5. Postgraduate students receiving benefits under the Chief Minister's Jibon Prerona Scheme shall not be eligible to avail MMNMA.
6. Students who have not enrolled for the final examinations of the previous academic year shall not be eligible to avail benefits under MMNMA.
7. Married girl students shall not be eligible under the scheme. However, married girls enrolled in Postgraduate and B.Ed. programmes shall be eligible.

8. Beneficiaries shall maintain discipline and comply with all rules and regulations of their respective institutions.
9. From the Academic Year 2027–28 onwards, girl students enrolled in Higher Secondary (HS), Undergraduate (UG) and Postgraduate (PG) programmes shall be eligible to avail either the Fee Waiver Scheme or the Mukhya Mantrir Nijut Moina Aasoni. A student shall not be eligible to avail both schemes simultaneously.

The eligibility criteria for availing benefits under the Mukhya Mantrir Nijut Babu Aasoni (**MMNBA**) are as follows:

1. Financial assistance shall be provided to eligible male students domiciled in Assam who are enrolled in Undergraduate (UG) 1st and 2nd Years and Postgraduate (PG) 1st and 2nd Years in Government and Provincialised Educational Institutions.
2. The student must belong to a family having an annual income of less than ₹4.00 lakh and must have been admitted under the Fee Waiver Scheme of the Government of Assam.
3. The incentive shall be provided only to regular students. No arrear amount shall be admissible.
4. Married Undergraduate male students shall not be eligible under the scheme.
5. Undergraduate male students who have opted for the Dr. Banikanta Kakati Merit Award (Scooter) shall not be eligible under the scheme.
6. Postgraduate students availing benefits under the Chief Minister's Jibon Prerana Scheme shall not be eligible under MMNBA.
7. Students who have not enrolled for the final examinations of the previous academic year shall not be eligible to avail benefits under MMNBA.
8. Beneficiaries shall maintain discipline and comply with all rules and regulations of their respective institutions, including regular attendance, academic conduct and respectful behaviour towards faculty members, staff and fellow students.
9. Any violation of institutional rules, including misconduct, indiscipline, cheating, ragging, vandalism or any other unacceptable behaviour, shall result in withdrawal of benefits under the scheme.
10. The Head of the Institution shall ensure that the student has complied with all the above conditions and has maintained at least 70% attendance during the previous academic year.