

1: INTRODUCTION:

Samsung India Electronics Pvt. Ltd. ("Samsung"), is a company incorporated under the laws of India. As part of its Corporate Social Responsibility ("CSR") initiatives, Samsung has instituted a scholarship Program "Star Scholar" ("Program") vide which scholarship under the Program ("Scholarship") is being awarded to the selected candidates. The Program aims to provide the student(s) of Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas ("JNVs") ("Applicant(s)") currently pursuing a full term B.E./B. Tech/Dual Degree (B.Tech +M.Tech) course in an Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) or a National Institute of Technology (NIT) with the financial support to achieve their scholastic dreams. The rules governing the Program are mentioned in this document ("Rules") and shall be binding on all Applicants, Institutes and other participants under the Program.

2: ELIGIBILITY.

Applicants will be eligible to receive scholarships, if they meet the defined eligibility criteria mentioned in these Rules and by following the procedures provided herein.

1. The scholarship is available for student(s) who have graduated from any JNV (10th or 12th grade pass), run by the Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti, an autonomous organization under the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India.
2. Currently pursuing a full term BE/B. Tech/Dual Degree (B.Tech +M.Tech) course ("Degree Course") in an Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) or a National Institute of Technology (NIT) in India as mentioned in list of Institutes available on the Samsung India Star Scholar website (hereinafter "Institute"). Any other courses like B.ARCH/BSC/MSC etc. are **not** covered under this Program.
3. Duration of the scholarship will be for one (01) academic year, extendable to subsequent three and Four (03/04) years for B.E./B. Tech. Degree and Dual Degree courses respectively based on fulfilment of eligibility criteria and selection approval by Samsung.
4. Applicants in the first year of scholarship will be selected on the basis of their all India rank which is common rank list (CRL) in the Joint Entrance Examination (JEE Main).
5. Subsequent to 1st year, scholarship to Applicants from 2nd to 4th year or 2nd to 5th year (as applicable) shall be available if-
 - a. The Applicants have received the Scholarship for all preceding applicable years and;
 - b. The Applicants have a SGPA or CPGA grade rating of 5 or above for immediate previous two (02) semesters
6. Applicants selected for Scholarship under the Program shall not avail any other financial assistance or scholarship from any Institute, Government or Non-Government source, during their pursuance of the Degree Course. Applicants receiving fee waiver from the Institute based on socio-economic criteria laid down by the Institute are eligible to apply, provided that the waiver is reflected in the official fee structure of the Institute. Such applicants must declare the same in the application form and not claim the amount which is waived off as per the fee structure of the Institute applicable to them.
7. All Applicants must be in good standing with the Institute to receive the Scholarship support.

8. Applicants who have not completed Eighteen years (18) of age at the time of application must have their parent(s) / legal guardian(s)', counter sign the Application Form. In the event that there is a constraint of meeting the submission deadline, parent(s) / legal guardian(s) shall submit a declaration in original and in the format, as prescribed by Samsung, within 10 days of the submitted form. In case, the Applicant fails to submit the declaration by the parent/legal guardian, Samsung reserves the right to cancel the application of the Applicant.
9. If an Applicant fails to receive scholarship in the current year, he/she will be ineligible to receive future Scholarships.

3: DISBURSEMENT

1. Selected Applicants will be entitled to annual scholarship amount upto Indian Rupees Two Lakh (INR 2,00,000/-) only for expenses related to tuition fee including (examination fee & registration fee), hostel and mess expenses only as certified by Institute Dean/authorized PIC in the student application form and as specifically mentioned in **section 7 of these Rules**.
2. Scholarship amount support will be paid out against actual verified submitted receipts for expenses.
3. Applicants are responsible for their administrative expenses such as refundable deposits, one time fees, Institute fees, transportation, insurance, personal spending money, medical cost, incidentals (photocopy, phone calls, etc.), supplemental study courses and materials and /or other expenses undertaken by them during his /her degree duration at the Institute. The scholarship amount will not be paid out for these expenses.
4. In case of any conflict with respect to whether an expense is covered for disbursement under the Program, decision of Samsung shall be final and binding.

4: DEVIATIONS

1. A student may be permitted by the Dean (Academics) of their Institute to discontinue temporarily from the Institute and accordingly the Program for a semester or longer, for reasons of ill health or other valid reasons to be determined by the Dean (Academics). A Declaration duly signed by the authorised signatory of the Institute detailing out the reasons and request for Scholarship consideration will be required to be submitted along with the Application form.
2. A student will be permitted to discontinue from the Program only for a maximum cumulative duration of two semesters, provided she/he can complete the Program within the prescribed duration decided by the Institute. Under any circumstances, the student shall not be allowed to continue with the Scholarship after the expiry of the maximum duration of the Program.

5: CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

1. Applicants must disclose to the Institute in writing any and all financial support being accrued for their education, including but not limited to those listed below, which may compromise the integrity of the Program.
2. Samsung Selection Committee may, at its sole discretion, refuse to accept or cancel a nomination for a Scholarship if an actual or perceived conflict of interest exists.

3. If Samsung Selection Committee rejects a nomination due to a conflict of interest, the Applicants will be notified. Potential conflicts of interest include:
 - (i) The Scholarship Applicants or Institute solicits, provides or accepts any compensation or other consideration in exchange for the nomination; Or,
 - (ii) Scholarship Applicants engages in any conduct that may reflect negatively upon Star Scholars Program. Such conduct shall be evaluated and decided at the sole discretion of Samsung
 - (iii) Any other conduct that constitutes conflict of interest at the discretion of Samsung.

6: NOMINATION AND APPLICATION PROCEDURES

1. Applicants can apply for the Scholarship by submitting a completed application form, duly verified and signed by the authorised signatory of the Institute.
2. Application should enclose all relevant documents (fees receipts, official fee structure) as required, for the form to be considered complete and eligible by the Samsung Selection Committee.
3. Original applications forms must be sent as a hard copy (print format) along with all supporting receipts as mentioned in the application form to Samsung by the deadline as mentioned in the application form, with a scanned copy mailed to email ID: star.scholar@samsung.com. The application forms (a. New Scholarship Application Form/ b. Scholarship Renewal Application Form) are available at Samsung India Website - <http://www.samsung.com/in/microsite/sapne-hue-bade/star-scholar>

The application must be sent to:

STAR SCHOLAR Program

Corporate Citizenship (CRO)

Samsung India Electronics Pvt. Ltd.,

20th ~ 24th Floor, Two Horizon Centre, Golf Course Road,

Sector - 43, DLF Phase V, Gurgaon, Haryana -122002, India

4. All documents including Applicants' form and supporting receipts/papers, must be attested (signed and stamped) and verified by the Institute's Dean Academic or Institute's designated authority. Only application those have been verified by the Dean Academics or designated authority of the Institute will be accepted and considered eligible.
5. Clear and legible copies of all supporting documents as mentioned in the application form like Fees receipts, fees structure, academic documents etc. should be submitted as proofs.
6. Scholarships must be used for the course and the academic year for which they are granted. No deferrals are available, except as provided in these Rules.
7. Scholarships may not be sold, transferred or assigned and are not convertible to cash.
8. Applicants must comply with all applicable enrolment and registration deadlines as published.
9. If a Scholarship Applicant fails to follow Rules, he/she will forfeit his/her scholarship. Additionally, if a Scholarship Applicant fails to appear for, or is refused admittance to an exam by the Institute for any reason whatsoever for which he/she has been granted a Scholarship, he/she will be ineligible to receive future Scholarships.

10. If an Applicant fails to receive scholarship in the current year, he/she will be ineligible to receive future Scholarships.
11. Any false statements or misrepresentations made by Applicants will be grounds for dismissal from Star Scholar Program.
12. Candidates who will be awarded Scholarship consents to sharing their result status i.e. Pass or Fail status in aggregate with Samsung

7: SCHOLARSHIP

1. Samsung India will provide scholarship support for selected Applicants basis the verified application form. For this purpose, Samsung may engage any third party to carry out verification of the information provided and other administrative tasks associated with the Program.
2. Samsung will make the payment to the Applicants through cheque/DD/electronic wire transfer. Samsung will provide only the support for actual expenses related to expenses related to tuition fee including (examination fee & registration fees), hostel expenses and mess expenses only and the entire amount of annual scholarship shall not exceed Indian Rupees Two Lakh (Rupees 2,00,000/-).
3. For the purpose of clarity, the reimbursable expenses under the Star Scholarship are
 - a. **Tuition Fees** - Only Tuition fees will be considered (One time fees, Institute fees, Refundable deposits, or any other fee other than Tuition fee must not be claimed by the applicant)
 - b. **Examination Fee** – Only examination fee as per the official fee structure of the Institute and paid by the student must be claimed in the application)
 - c. **Registration Fee** - Only Registration fee as per the official fee structure of the Institute and paid by the student must be claimed in the application)
 - d. **Hostel expenses** – only (hostel seat rent + hostel establishment charges + hostel maintenance charges + water & electricity charges) as reflecting in the official fee structure,.
 - e. **Mess expenses** – only mess charges and mess establishment charges as reflecting in the official fee structure.

Note: Only expenses mentioned above will be reimbursed subject to providing supporting fee receipts and substantiated by official fee structure of the Institute
4. Samsung shall award Scholarships at its sole discretion. All decisions of Samsung will be binding and final.
5. Samsung and/or its subsidiaries does not warrant or promise nor are obligated to employ any/or all students supported by this Program or on the successful completion of the Degree Course i.e. B.E/B. Tech/Dual Degree (B.Tech +M.Tech) course, and nothing in this Rule Book should be deemed or construed otherwise.
6. Under any circumstances, the student shall not be allowed to continue with the scholarship after the expiry of the maximum duration of the Program.

8: GENERAL RULES

1. Samsung will provide scholarship for selected Applicants basis the verified application form. For this purpose, Samsung may engage any third party to carry out verification of the information provided by the Applicants and/ or to carry other administrative tasks associated with the Program. The Applicant gives consent to Samsung to share information with third party for verification purposes.
2. The Rules may evolve and get revised, refined, updated, amended, modified or changed from time to time at the sole discretion of Samsung and without any prior notice, and shall be binding on all parties concerned, including the Applicants and Institute Authorities.
3. The effect of year-to-year (periodic) refinements in the Rules, on the students admitted in earlier years, shall be dealt with appropriately and carefully, so as to ensure that those students are not subjected to any unfair situation whatsoever, although they are required to conform to these revised set of Rules, without any undue favour or considerations.
4. Participation to the Program is voluntary. Participation to the Program constitutes acceptance of these terms and conditions. By applying under the Program, Applicant(s) agrees to receive communication(s) from Samsung or its Agency relating to the Program and Applicant(s) unconditionally agrees not to make any claim or raise any complaint against Samsung or the Agency in this respect.
5. Anybody found using any unfair means will be immediately disqualified under the Program.
6. Guardians/Parents of the minor Applicant represent and warrant that he/she legally competent to enter into binding contracts under applicable laws and warrant that all personal information provided by the Applicant is correct and complete and that the Guardian/Parent is authorized to provide such information and consents to its use by Samsung.
7. Applicant agrees and consents that information submitted by Applicant including but not limited to submissions and personal information of Applicants may be required to be shared with other third parties engaged by Samsung, for the purposes of verifying and/or audit the authenticity of the entries received from Applicant.
8. Applicant (or its parent/legal guardian) gives Samsung the consent to publish and broadcast anywhere in the world, for editorial, advertising, promotional, marketing and/or other purposes and in any media, Applicant (or its nominated representative) name, image, likeness and/or photograph (except where prohibited by law) without any further permission or consent or consideration in any form, including but not limited to, royalty.
9. Samsung shall not be liable for any loss or damage due to act of God, epidemic, pandemic, governmental actions, other force majeure events and shall not be liable to pay any amount as compensation or otherwise for any such loss.
10. Samsung reserves the absolute right to amend the Terms of the scholarship program or extend the Program Period or cancel or discontinue the Program or any part thereof without giving any reasons or prior notice.
11. Failure by Samsung to enforce any of its right at any stage does not constitute a waiver of those rights.
12. In no event shall Samsung be liable for any losses or claims, direct, and/or any incidental or consequential damages arising out of and/or in connection with the Program, howsoever arising, including negligence.

13. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency regarding any instructions, rules and conditions relating to the Program, these Rules shall prevail over all such other instructions, rules and conditions. Decision of Samsung in relation to the Program and matter incidental thereto shall be final and binding on the Applicant. All disputes shall be governed by the laws of India. Terms shall be governed by exclusive laws of India and courts located at New Delhi shall have exclusive jurisdiction in respect to the Program.

9: Communication to applicants:

1. The applicants will be informed on the status of their application through email communication on the **email ids** provided by the applicant in their application form.
2. Samsung directly or through its appointed verification agency shall inform the applicants as per below timelines.
 - a. Confirmation of receipt of application: To all applicants **within 15 days** after last date of application submission deadline as mentioned in the application form.
 - b. Any additional data related to Scholarship: As and when required, the applicant will be contacted individually through email and/or on phone call/SMS.
 - c. Selection/rejection of the applicant for the Star Scholarship: All candidates will be informed on their selection/rejection individually through email and/or phone call/SMS before **31st March 2021**
3. All efforts will be made by Samsung to complete the process within the indicated timelines, however there may be unexpected delays, for which a communication and the revised timelines will be shared with the applicants on their email ids.
4. Applicants are requested to ensure that any communication related to Star Scholar program is done only on official communication email id: star.scholar@samsung.com