

**GRANT OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR PERFORMANCE OF MARRIAGE OF  
POOR BRIDE LIVING BELOW POVERTY LINE**

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| 1. Objective                   | : To provide financial assistance for the poor brides who are living below poverty line to meet their marriage expenses.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 2. Amount of Assistance        | : Rs. 15,000/- for the marriage expenses                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 3. Eligibility                 | : <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) The annual income of the applicant shall not exceed Rs. 24,000/- per annum.</li> <li>2) A native of the Union territory of Puducherry by birth or by continuous residence of 5 years or more.</li> <li>3) The assistance payable only to the bride for her first marriage.</li> <li>4) The marriage shall be performed in accordance with law in force on the date of marriage.</li> <li>5) The assistance is given for the performance of marriage of one daughter only.</li> <li>6) Bride shall have been attained the age of 18 years and the bridegroom 21 years on the date of marriage</li> </ol> |
| 4. Certificates to be enclosed | : <p>The filled application form shall be submitted within 30 days before the date of proposed marriage.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Income and Residence certificate from the Revenue Department.</li> <li>b) Marriage invitation.</li> <li>c) Age proof of the bride</li> <li>d) Marriage registration certificate obtained from the registration department/Municipality/Commune Panchayat (to be given within 30 days after marriage)</li> </ol>                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 5. Whom to apply               | : <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) The Deputy Director (Women Development) Department of Women and Child Development Puducherry.</li> <li>2) The Child Development Project Officer, Karaikal</li> <li>3) The Welfare Officer, Mahe/Yanam.</li> </ol>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 6. Processing time             | : The selection is periodical and depends on the availability of funds.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

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GOVERNMENT OF PONDICHERRY

CHIEF SECRETARIAT (WELFARE)

[G.O. Ms. No. 44/2003-Wel. (SW-IV), dated 15th October 2003]

**NOTIFICATION**

The Lieutenant-Governor of Pondicherry is pleased to notify the rules appended hereunder for the implementation of the Scheme for Grant of Financial Assistance for Performance of Marriage of Poor Bride living Below Poverty Line in the Union Territory of Pondicherry by the Department of Women and Child Development, Pondicherry with effect from 1-4-2003.

**RULES FOR THE GRANT OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE  
FOR PERFORMANCE OF MARRIAGE OF POOR BRIDE LIVING  
BELOW POVERTY LINE**

**Short title, extent and commencement.**— (i) These rules may be called "Rules for the Grant of financial assistance for performance of marriage of poor brides living Below Poverty Line in the Union Territory of Pondicherry".

(ii) They shall extend to the whole of the Union Territory of Pondicherry.

(iii) They shall be deemed to have come into force on the 1st day of April 2003.

**2. Definitions.**— In this rules, unless the context otherwise requires—

"Administrator" means the Administrator of the Union Territory of Pondicherry appointed by the President of India under Article 239 of the Constitution of India;

"Department" means the Director, the Department of Women and Child Development, Government of Pondicherry;

"Poor Bride" means a poor girl who has not married earlier and whose parent/guardian family living Below Poverty Line and the annual income of her parent/guardian from all sources shall not exceed the amount as may be specified from time to time by the Government of Pondicherry in respect of those living below poverty line.

"Form-I" means the form appended to these rules.

"Family" means the spouses and unmarried children.

**3. Eligibility conditions.**— A poor bride is eligible for financial assistance under these rules, subject to the following conditions, namely:—

(i) The applicant for the assistance under these rules shall be Indian National and shall be a native of Pondicherry by virtue of birth/continuous residence of not less than five years.

(ii) The total income of the parent/guardian from all sources including the income of the girl shall not exceed Rs. 24,000 per annum.

(iii) The marriage shall be performed in accordance with law in force on the date of marriage.

(iv) A bride shall have been attained the age of eighteen years and the bridegroom twenty-one years on the date of marriage.

(v) The marriage should have been performed to the bride for the first time and shall be registered either in the Registration Department or in the Municipality/Commune Panchayat concerned and a copy of the same shall be furnished to the Department of Women and Child Development, Pondicherry within 30 days from the date of registration of marriage.

(vi) The assistance shall be admissible in respect of only one bride in a family.

**4. Quantum of financial assistance.**— The amount of financial assistance that can be granted under rules shall be Rs. 10,000 (Rupees ten thousand only) in each case.

**5. Procedure for grant of assistance.**— (i) The application to get assistance under these rules shall be submitted to the Director, Department of Women and Child Development, Pondicherry/Child Development Project Officer, Karaikal/ Social Welfare Organiser concerned, Mahe and Yanam at least 30 days before the date of the proposed marriage. However this time limit may be relaxed by the Director, Department of Women and Child Development in deserving cases.

(ii) The application shall be submitted in Form-I accompanied with the following certificates, namely:—

(a) Nationality and residence certificates in Form-II from an Officer of a Revenue Department not below the rank of a Deputy Tahsildar;

(b) Income Certificate in Form-III obtained from an officer of the Revenue Department not below the rank of a Deputy Tahsildar;

(c) Certificate in Form-IV from a Member of the Parliament or a Member of the Legislative Assembly or the Commissioner of the Municipality or Commune Panchayat in whose jurisdiction the applicant normally resides.

(d) Proof of the age of the bride.

(e) A declaration that the applicant has not applied/availed similar benefit either from Adi-Dravidar Welfare Department or from the Fisheries Department or Social Welfare Department or any other departments in Form-V.

6. **Competent authority for selection of Beneficiaries.**— The Director, Department of Women and Child Development, Pondicherry/ the Child Development Project Officer in Karaikal/ the Social Welfare Organiser concerned in respect of Mahe and Yanam, shall be the competent authority for selection of beneficiaries who fulfill the criteria prescribed in these rules. On being satisfied that the applicant has fulfilled all the condition prescribed under the rules, the Department of Women and Child Development, Pondicherry shall issue release order for extending the assistance based on the block sanction obtained from the Government for granting such assistance.

Payment shall be made by the Deputy Director (Women Development), Pondicherry/ Child Development Project Officer, Karaikal/ Social Welfare Organiser concerned of Mahe and Yanam regions.

Separate registers shall be maintained by the concerned officers and necessary entries and other details shall be recorded in the register regarding the receipt of assistance from the Government and payment made thereof. Payment shall be made on obtaining proper acknowledgments.

The officers in the outlying regions who are authorised to make payments under these rules shall forward to the Director of Women and Child Development, Pondicherry an extract of the entries made during the month in the register maintained as required under sub-rule (ii) to enable to furnish quarterly and annual reports.

The Director shall furnish annual report to the Government regarding the receipt and disbursement of the assistance.

If the Director, Department of Women and Child Development, Pondicherry and the officers in the outlying regions find that the applicant is not eligible for the financial assistance under these rules; he/she shall inform the applicant furnishing reasons thereof.

7. In case the grantee of the assistance under these rules does not utilise the amount granted for the purpose for which it was granted or where the assistance is utilised for a purpose other than the one for which it was sanctioned or if found that the grantee of the assistance has obtained the same by fraud or by misrepresentation or by suppression of material facts, the applicant shall on demand by the Director, forthwith refund the amount granted to him/her within 30 days from the date of issue of the notice together with interest at the rates applicable to Government loans besides facing criminal action. The applicant has to furnish a declaration to this effect in Form VI.

### Form—I

[See rule 5 (ii)]

### APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR PERFORMANCE OF MARRIAGE OF POOR BRIDE LIVING BELOW POVERTY LINE

Region

Commune

Constituency

Village

1. Name of the applicant's  
parent/guardian  
(in Block Letters).

2. Permanent address

3. Number of children—

(a) Male

(b) Female

4. Occupation

5. Nationality

6. Total income (Certificate to be enclosed)---

(a) Name of the daughter (bride) for whose marriage financial assistance is sought for.

(b) Date of birth of bride (Certificate to be enclosed).

(c) Whether she is employed

Yes/No

If yes - (i) the name of the employer

(ii) the post in which employed

(iii) annual income

7. Name of the bridegroom

8. Age of the bridegroom

9. His father's name

10. His mother's name

11. His address:

12. Whether the proposed marriage is for the first time for the bride?

13. Probable date of marriage

I hereby declare that the information furnished above is correct and I have not suppressed any fact that will disentitle me for the financial assistance for marriage. I also shall abide to refund the assistance in lump sum forthwith, if the particulars furnished above are found to be false, as per the rules

Place

Date

Signature or thumb-impression of the applicant's parent/guardian.

### Form-II

[ See rule 3 (i) (ii) ]

### NATIONALITY AND RESIDENCE CERTIFICATE

Certified that Thiru/Tmt. ....

S/o./D/o. ....residing at .....

.....is an Indian national.

Place:

Signature :

Date :

Tahsildar/Deputy Tahsildar.

Certified that Thiru/Tmt. ....

S/o./D/o. ....residing at .....

.....is a native of Pondicherry

by virtue of birth/continuous residence of not less than five years.

Place:

Signature :

Date :

Tahsildar/Deputy Tahsildar.

### Form-III

[See rule (3)(ii)]

### CERTIFICATE

Certified that the total annual income of family of Thiru/Tmt ..... including the income of the other family members is Rs..... from all sources for the year ending 31-3-200

2. This certificate is issued to him/her so as to enable him/her to apply for the grant of Financial Assistance for performance of marriage of poor brides living Below Poverty Line given by the Department of Women and Child Development, Pondicherry, for his/her daughter Selvi .....

Place:

Signature :

Date :

(Name in Block letters)

Designation :

## Form-IV

[ See rule 5 (ii) (c) ]

## CERTIFICATE

Certified that Thiru/Tmt. ....  
son/wife of ..... is known to me for  
the past ..... years.

It is further certified that the proposed marriage is for the first  
time for the bride with Selvan .....

Place: ..... Signature of M.P./M.L.A./  
Municipality/Commune Panchayat Commissioner

Date : .....

## Form-V

[ See rule 5 (ii) (e) ]

## DECLARATION

I, ..... son/daughter  
of ..... residing at .....  
hereby declare that I have  
not availed/applied for similar benefit for my daughter from other  
departments like Adi-dravidar Welfare Department / Fisheries Department  
and Social Welfare Department or any other Departments.

Place: ..... Signature or thumb impression  
Date : ..... of the applicant

## Form-VI

( See rule 7 )

## UNDERTAKING

Whereas the Government of Pondicherry has sanctioned financial  
assistance of Rs. 10,000 (Rupees ten thousand only) for meeting the  
marriage expenses of my daughter/ward Selvi .....  
with Selvan ..... to be held on.....

I, ..... son/daughter  
of ..... residing at .....  
hereby undertake that the  
above financial assistance shall be incurred only for the purpose for  
which it has been sanctioned and bind myself and my heirs, executors,  
administrators, legal representatives and assignees to pay unto the  
Director, Department of Women and Child Development, Pondicherry  
a sum of Rs. 10,000 (Rupees ten thousand only) within 30 days of notice  
in the event of my not spending the financial assistance for the purpose  
for which it is sanctioned or in the event of spending the said amount  
for the purpose other than the purpose, for which it was sanctioned or  
in the event of having obtained the assistance by fraud or by suppression  
or misrepresentation of material facts. If I fail to repay the amount, the  
same shall be recovered as if it were arrears of land revenue under the  
Revenue Recovery Act.

Dated at ..... on this ..... day of .....

Place :

Date : ..... Signature of the applicant.

Witnesses :

1.

2.

(By order of the Lieutenant-Governor)

V. KANNABIRAN,  
Under Secretary to Government (Welfare).

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**GOVERNMENT OF PONDICHERY**  
**ABSTRACT**

Chief Secretariat(Welfare) - Women and Child Development - Rules for Grant of Financial Assistance for Performance of Marriage of Poor Brides living below poverty line - Amendment to rules - Orders - Issued.

**CHIEF SECRETARIAT(WELFARE)**

G.O.Ms.No. 37 / 2005-Wel(SW-IV)

Pondicherry, the 12.9.2005.

READ: 1.G.O.Ms.No.44/2003-Wel(SW-IV), dated 15.10.2003  
of the Chief Secretariat(Welfare), Pondicherry.

2. Letter No.9928/DWCD/DD(WD)/A15/02/847, dated  
2.5.2005 of the Department of Women and Child  
Development, Pondicherry.

**ORDER**

The following notification shall be published in the next issue of the  
Official Gazette:-

**NOTIFICATION**

The Lieutenant-Governor, Pondicherry is pleased to enhance the amount of financial assistance from Rs.10,000/- to Rs.15,000/- under the Grant of Financial Assistance for Performance of Marriage of Poor Brides Rules, 2003 notified in G.O.Ms.No.44/2003-Wel(SW-IV), dated 15.10.2003, of the Chief Secretariat(Welfare), Pondicherry (hereinafter referred to as the said rules) and for the purpose the Lieutenant Governor, Pondicherry, hereby makes the following amendment to the said rules, namely.

AMENDMENT

In the said rules, in rule 4, for the words and figures "Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten thousand only)" the words and figures "Rs.15,000/- (Rupees Fifteen thousand only)" shall be substituted.

2. This amendment shall be deemed to have come into force with effect from the 1<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2005. 2005.

/BY ORDER OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR/

**B.V.SELVARAJ**  
**DEVELOPMENT COMMISSIONER-CUM-SECRETARY(WCD)**

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Pondicherry. 8. The District Collector, Karaikal. 9. The Regional Administrator,  
Mahe/Yanam. 10. The Dy. Director of Accounts & Treasuries,  
Karaikal/Mahe/Yanam. 11. The Accountant General(Audit-I), Chennai-35. 12. The  
Dy. Accountant General(Audit-I), Pondicherry. 13. The Central Records Branch, .  
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/FORWARDED BY ORDER/.

*V. Kannabiran*  
(V.KANNABIRAN)

UNDER SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (WEL)