# POLICY DOCUMENT FOR MERIT SCHOLARSHIP TEST (MST)



MADHAB CHOUDHURY COLLEGE, BARPETA-781301 (AFFILIATED TO GAUHATI UNIVERSITY)

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M.C. College, Barpeta, the fourth oldest college in undivided Assam, situated at a culturally rich, but economically backward region. Institution has comparatively large number of minority students. Most of the students from locality belong to low-income group. Therefore, the institution feels the need of providing a platform for such students to achieve academic excellence and also provide them self-dependency through earn and learn scheme. In order to encourage the meritorious students, the institution has taken initiatives like conducting Merit Scholarship Test. However, it is not financially feasible for the college to give financial assistance to all the meritorious students. As a result, Merit Scholarship Test is conducted every year among the T.D.C first semester students (Both for Arts and Science stream) with a view to select eligible students among them. Introduction of merit scholarship test has created an atmosphere of competitiveness among the student community. The students have developed a competitive spirit in order to excel in their academics. The scholarship is awarded on merit basis under eight categories, viz Unreserved, General (EWS), OBC/MOBC, ST, SC, Minority, Single Girl Child, Person with disability (PWD) subjected to the availability of students in the respective category.

#### **OBJECTIVE OF THE POLICY**

- \* To provide financial assistance to the meritorious and economically weaker student.
- To motivate students towards the perks and benefits of scholarship exam.

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- To inspire students towards understand the dignity of competition and optimum utilization of time and energy.
- To create an atmosphere of competitiveness among the student community.



### **ELIGIBILITY**

The MST scheme is open to all the students of B.A. and B.Sc. 1<sup>st</sup> semester students who are admitted during the academic session. Students belonging to eight categories, viz Unreserved, General (EWS), OBC/MOBC, ST, SC, Minority, Single Girl Child, Person with disability (PWD) are eligible to apply for the scholarship test provided they produce relevant documents in respect to their category.

#### SELECTION PROCEDURE

Applications are called from all the 1<sup>st</sup> semester students during the start of the academic session. The applications are evaluated and the eligible students are allowed to appear in the scholarship test. The test paper includes multiple choice questions on various relevant topics including General awareness, History and Culture of Barpeta district, Reasoning, General Knowledge, Sports, Mathematics, General Sciences, Environmental Science, Social Sciences and Literature. The answer scripts are evaluated and the results are uploaded in the college website.

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#### AWARD OF SCHOLARSHIP

A one-time fellowship of Rupees Three Thousand Only (Rs. 3000/-) is awarded to each of the students selected under different categories. Along with the fellowship, the students are awarded with a certificate of recognition.

## Implementation of the scheme:

The policy was implemented on 14-06-2018

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