

- dated 26-06-2013 and published in the Official Gazette No. 13, Series I dated 27-06-2013;
7. Amendment Notification No. 2-277-LL-2015-DW&CD/(Part-I)/03835 dated 24-09-2015 and published in the Official Gazette No. 28, Series I dated 08-10-2015;
  8. Amendment Notification No. 2-279-LL-2012-DW&CD/(Part-I)/3401 dated 20-04-2016 and published in the Official Gazette No. 4, Series I dated 28-04-2016;
  9. Amendment Notification No. 2-279-LL-2012-DW&CD/Part(I)/4057 dated 24-05-2016 and published in the Official Gazette No. 9, Series I dated 02-06-2016;
  10. Amendment Notification No. 2-279-LL-2012/DW&CD/Part(I)/7269 dated 02-11-2016 and published in the Official Gazette No. 32, Series I dated 10-11-2016;
  11. Amendment Notification No. 2-279-LL-2012/DW&CD/Part(I)/10382 dated 06-03-2019 and published in the Official Gazette No. 50, Series I dated 14-03-2019;
  12. Amendment Notification No. 2-279-LL-2012-DW&CD/Part(I)/4920 dated 11-11-2019 and published in the Official Gazette No. 33, Series I dated 14-11-2019;
  13. Amendment Notification No. 2-279-LL-2012-DW&CD/Part(I)/8327 dated 14-10-2020 and published in the Official Gazette No. 30, Series I dated 22-10-2020.

In exercise of the powers conferred under clause 6(3) of Laadli Laxmi Scheme notified vide Notification No. 2/279/LL/2012/DW&CD/2562 dated 06-07-2012 and published in the Official Gazette No. 16, Series I dated 19-07-2012, the Government hereby further amends and publishes the said scheme as under:-

*Objective of the scheme.*— The scheme intends to ensure that the girl does not become a burden for the parent or guardian during her marriage. However, this scheme should not be construed or misunderstood as an encouragement to the practice of giving dowry in any way.

*I. Short title and commencement.*— (1) This scheme shall be called “Laadli Laxmi Scheme”.

(2) The scheme shall come into force with immediate effect.

*II. Eligibility and other conditions.*— (1) (A) Any Girl who fulfils all of the following conditions is eligible to apply:

(a) born in the State of Goa;

(b) resident of Goa for the last fifteen years; and

(c) (i) whose at least one of the parents is born in Goa and is also a resident of Goa for the last fifteen years; or

(ii) whose one of the parents is residing in Goa for last twenty five years;

(iii) whose parental income does not exceed Rs. 3.00 lakhs per annum.

(B) Provided that a Girl, who is born outside Goa, shall be eligible if she is:

(a) resident of Goa for the last fifteen years;

(b) educated in Goa; for a minimum period of 7 years (continuous); and

(c) (i) whose at least one of the parents is born in Goa and is also a resident of Goa for the last fifteen years; or

(ii) whose one of the parents is residing in Goa for last twenty five years.

(iii) whose parental income does not exceed Rs. 3.00 lakhs per annum.

(2) If any doubt arises regarding eligibility of any, the same shall be decided by a Committee consisting of the following:

(i) Secretary to Government of Goa in charge of Department of Women and Child Development as Chairperson,

(ii) One Social Worker to be appointed by the Government as Member,

(iii) Additional/Joint Secretary to Government of Goa in charge in the Department of Finance as Member, and

(iv) Director, Directorate of Women and Child Development as Member Secretary.

(3) The decision of the above Committee shall be final and binding. No appeal or request for reconsideration of decision shall be allowed under the scheme.

(4) (a) All applications received from a girl who is an orphan or a destitute or who is born outside a legitimate wedlock or an adopted girl or any other case which is covered under the objective of the scheme; shall be referred to the Committee mentioned above, if the application is made by the guardians or the Institution/Organisations which is taking care of the girl.

(b) In case if an applicant is unable to produce documents pertaining to parent's birth, residence, etc. on account of their opposition to her marriage, such an application shall be placed before the Committee for decision.

(c) If the applicant fulfils all the criteria and has submitted all her documents required as per the scheme but is unable to furnish her parents documents due to death of both parents, such an application shall be sanctioned if the applicant submits her 15 years of residence certificate and birth certificate along with death certificates of both parents. Submission of parental income certificate in case of such applicants shall be waived off.

(5) The beneficiaries shall be the married applicants who are in the age group of 18 to 45 years.

(6) In case the applicant is an affected person of Tillari Irrigation Project, which is a joint venture of Government of Goa and Government of Maharashtra and rehabilitated in the State of Goa, her application shall be sanctioned if she produces a certificate issued by the Collector, North Goa District relaxing

the condition of 10/15 years domicile in the State of Goa for various purposes for her family.

*III. Mode of operation.*— (1) The beneficiaries under the scheme shall be paid Rs. 1.00 lakh as financial assistance, directly into the bank account of the eligible beneficiary.

(2) The fixed deposit of Rs. 1.00 lakh, created jointly in the name of the Director of Women and Child Development and the already sanctioned beneficiary prior to this notification, shall continue to be renewed annually automatically on maturity, along with the amount of interest accrued, till the date of claim by the beneficiary as per the scheme or until the age of 45 years whichever is earlier.

(3) All the existing eligible applications of unmarried applicants pending at the department, on the date of issue of this notification shall be sanctioned after production of valid Civil Marriage Registration Certificate issued by the competent authority.

(4) For the purpose of operation of this scheme through the bank/financial institution concerned, the Government, shall execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), detailing the terms and conditions of operation of the bank account, the fixed deposit account/certificate of the already sanctioned benefit prior to this notification, amount of interest accrued, procedure for payment to the beneficiary, terms of payment by the Government to the bank/financial institution, credit to the Government on closure of individual account etc.

*IV. Application procedure.*— (1) The applicant may apply to the Director of Women and Child Development, Panaji-Goa, in the prescribed form ("Annexure I" to this scheme), complete in all respects, along with two passport size photographs and the following documents:

i) Attested copy of the Birth Certificate of the applicant.

ii) Attested copy of any document as a proof of 15 years residence of the applicant

in the State of Goa. In lieu of the Residence Certificate, School Leaving Certificates and/or Bonafide Student Certificate issued by the recognized Educational Institution can also be produced. However, in case of applicant who discontinued education at school level, the gap period i.e., from the time of discontinuation of education till Civil Marriage Registration, may be proved by production of residence certificate. In case of graduates, the Certificates of passing of Xth, XIIth and Graduation is adequate evidence.

*iii)* 15 years or 25 years Residence Certificate of the parent(s) as the case may be. In lieu of the Residence Certificate, any documentary evidence to prove the residence for the specified period can also be produced which may include:

a) The land records i.e. tenancy rights, mundcarial rights, occupancy rights, etc.;

b) Employment certificate; or

c) Any such records to the satisfaction of the Committee.

d) In case of a girl whose father/mother is in service either with the State Government or the Central Government or the public sector undertakings, in lieu of the certificate of residence such applicant may produce the service certificate of 25 years issued by the Head of the Department. However, the girl should be born in Goa and should have studied in Goa up to Xth class.

*iv)* Birth Certificate of the parent(s). If no birth certificate is available one of the following documents can be produced showing the details namely the date and place of Birth of the parent(s):

a) Baptism certificate;

b) School leaving certificate of the parent(s) etc;

c) Any document which establishes that one of the grandparents of the girl has lived in Goa around the time of the

date of birth claimed by the parent(s); or

d) Any such records, which establishes the date of birth of the parent(s).

v) Attested copy of the Aadhar card if any, and

vi) A Self-Declaration in the format as given in "Annexure II" to this scheme.

vii) Annual Income Certificate of parents of the immediate previous financial year at the time of submission of application, issued by the Competent Authority. The Income Certificate shall include the annual income of the mother and father of the applicant taken together and not the income of the family.

viii) Attested copy of the Civil Marriage Registration Certificate issued by Competent Authority.

ix) Attested copy of the savings bank account pass book (with IFSC and MICR details). The bank account submitted should be preferably Aadhar linked for DBT (Direct Benefit Transfer) purpose.

Note 1: The Aadhar card will be compulsory for all applicants after 01-04-2013. However, the Government by separate order may relax the requirement of producing the Aadhar card and such other certificate(s), for a further period of time, as may be prescribed in the said order.

Note 2: The application form (Annexure-I) shall be serially numbered and issued by the designated Offices notified by the Director of Women and Child Development. Application forms in any other format or proforma or reprographic copies of the same shall not be accepted.

Note 3: The application form (Annexure-I) shall be signed by the applicant in the presence of either the Member of Legislative Assembly, the Member of Parliament, Government Officer (not below the rank of Additional/Special Secretary to the Government of Goa) or the District Magistrate.

(2) The application shall be submitted within six months from the date of Civil Marriage Registration. All applications received beyond the specified period of six months shall be rejected. Provided that a delay of upto further six months if any may be condoned by Directorate of Women and Child Development for justified reasons in writing. This shall be applicable prospectively to marriages registered after coming into force of this amendment and applicant who have registered their marriages already before coming into force of this amendment will continue to get one year.

(3) The application duly filled and complete in all respect, received by the Directorate of Women and Child Development, shall be scrutinized and sanctioned by the Director of Women and Child Development, in the chronological order in which application is received in his Office.

(4) The applicant shall have to open an account in the bank/financial institution.

*V. Other Conditions.—* (1) (a) In the event of death of the beneficiary before claiming the benefit, the financial assistance shall be released to the parents. If both the parents of the beneficiary are expired, the assistance shall be released to the guardian whose name is mentioned in the Laadli Laxmi application of the expired beneficiary.

(b) In the event of death of the unmarried beneficiary who was sanctioned benefit prior to this notification before her Civil Marriage Registration, the amount in the fixed deposit shall be paid by the bank/financial institution concerned to the Director of Women & Child Development, who shall deposit the same into an appropriate Government account.

(2) The money under fixed deposit of already sanctioned benefit prior to this notification shall be permitted to be withdrawn from the bank/financial institution, provided the beneficiary produces the withdrawal order/letter from the Director, Women and Child Development or any other

authorised official and also personally present herself before the bank officials.

(3) The benefits under the scheme shall be given only once in the lifetime of each beneficiary.

(4) The unpaid money under the fixed deposit of already sanctioned benefit prior to this notification shall be credited back to the Government along with the interest accrued thereon and no family members/co-signatory/guardian, as the case may be shall have right/claim of whatsoever on the same.

(5) In the event, there is no claim by the already sanctioned unmarried beneficiary till attaining the age of 45 years, the fixed deposit shall be closed and the amount shall be credited back to the Government along with the interest accrued thereon. No further assistance of any nature shall be provided to the concerned.

(6) This scheme does not confer any right on any one merely on application made under the scheme, for claiming the benefits under this scheme and denial of the benefits under the scheme, after the same has been examined by the Director of Women and Child Development as well as the Committee constituted under clause 2(2) above, shall not be disputed.

(7) The disbursement of benefits under this scheme shall be subject to the availability of funds provided for the purpose annually by means of budgetary support.

(8) Any person, who avails financial assistance under the scheme on the basis of false information, submitting false declaration or by concealing material information, shall be liable for criminal prosecution. Notwithstanding any criminal prosecution that may be initiated or result thereof, such person shall also be debarred for life for getting any benefits and or assistance under any other schemes of the Government.

*VI. Power to relax.—* (1) For removal of any difficulties in the implementation of the



12. \*Bank Details:

(i) Bank Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (ii) Branch: \_\_\_\_\_

(iii) Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_

(iv) IFSC Code: \_\_\_\_\_ (v) MICR Code: \_\_\_\_\_

#### DECLARATION

I, the undersigned, hereby declare that the information given above is true and correct, and nothing stated is false and I have not been benefited with this scheme earlier. I shall be personally responsible for any false and incorrect information/documents, for which the authorities shall be at liberty to take penal action as deem fit against me including filing criminal case.

Dated:

(Name & Signature of the Applicant)

Signed in presence of:

Signature, Name & Seal of

Member of Legislative Assembly/Member of Parliament, Government Officers, not below the rank of Additional/Special Secretaries to the Government of Goa and the District Magistrates.

NOTE: Fields marked in \* are compulsory

#### PART II

The application shall be enclosed with the following documents:—

1. Self Certified copy of Birth Certificate of the applicant.
2. 15 years Residence Certificate of the applicant in the State of Goa. In lieu of the Residence Certificate, School Leaving Certificates and/or Bonafide Student Certificate issued by the recognized Educational Institution can also be produced. However, in case of applicant who discontinued education at school level, the gap period i.e., from the time of discontinuation of education till Civil Marriage Registration, may be proved by production of residence certificate. In case of graduates, the Certificates of passing of Xth, XIIth and Graduation is adequate evidence.
3. Self Certified copy of Aadhar Card.
4. Self Certified copy of the Civil Marriage Registration Certificate issued by the Competent Authority.
5. Self Certified copy of 15 years or 25 years Residence Certificate of one of the parent(s) of the applicant as the case may be. In lieu of the Residence Certificate, any documentary evidence to prove the residence for the specified period can also be produced which may include:
  - i. the land records i.e. tenancy rights; mundcarial rights; occupancy rights, etc;
  - ii. Employment certificate; or
  - iii. Any such records to the satisfaction of the Committee.
6. Self Certified copy of Birth Certificate of one of the parent(s) of the applicant as the case may be. If no birth certificate is available, one of the following documents can be produced showing the details namely the date and place of Birth of the parent(s):
  - i. Baptism certificate;
  - ii. School leaving certificate of the parent(s);
  - iii. Any document which establishes that one of the grandparents of the girl have lived in Goa around the time of the date of birth claimed by the parent(s); or
  - iv. Any such records, which establishes the date of birth of the parent(s).
7. Self-Declaration of the applicant.
8. Pre-receipt with revenue stamp (in duplicate) as prescribed.
9. Annual Family Income Certificate issued by the Competent Authority.

10. Attested copy of savings bank account pass book (with IFSC and MICR details). The bank account submitted should be preferably Aadhar linked for DBT (Direct Benefit Transfer) purpose.

**NOTE:**

1. The application shall be submitted within six months, from the date of Civil Marriage Registration. All applications received beyond the specified period of six months shall be rejected. Provided that a delay of upto further six months if any may be condoned by Directorate of Women and Child Development for justified reasons in writing.
2. Applicants shall attach their recent passport size photograph only. Edited photographs shall not be attached.

**Annexure – II**

(Fill in the blanks and strike out whichever is not applicable)

**SELF-DECLARATION**

Passport size signed Photograph of the applicant
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I, \_\_\_\_\_ daughter of Shri \_\_\_\_\_  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years, Indian National, resident of \_\_\_\_\_  
do hereby state and declare as under:

1. That I have applied for financial assistance under the Laadli Laxmi Scheme.
2. That I am born at \_\_\_\_\_, State \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_
3. That I have completed 18 years of age as on \_\_\_\_\_ and that I am not above 45 years of age.
4. That I belong to \_\_\_\_\_ religion.
5. That I belong to SC/ST/OBC/OTHERS category.
6. That I have been residing at the above notified address for last \_\_\_\_\_ years and that I am resident of Goa for the last \_\_\_\_\_ years.
7. That my mother, \_\_\_\_\_ (name of mother) aged \_\_\_\_\_ years is born in Goa/ outside Goa and is also the resident of Goa for the last \_\_\_\_\_ years and is alive till date/died on \_\_\_\_\_
8. That my father, \_\_\_\_\_ (name of father) aged \_\_\_\_\_ years is born in Goa/ outside Goa and is also resident of Goa for last \_\_\_\_\_ and is alive till date/died on \_\_\_\_\_.
9. (a) That I have studied/studying in Goa from Std. \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ for the period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ (till date) for \_\_\_\_\_ years.  
(b) That I am working/unemployed/self employed in Goa for the period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ years.
10. That my mother is working/self employed/retired/pensioner/unemployed at \_\_\_\_\_ (name and address of the Organization) having annual income of Rs. \_\_\_\_\_/-.
11. That my father is working/self employed/retired/pensioner/unemployed at \_\_\_\_\_ (name and address of the Organization) having annual income of Rs. \_\_\_\_\_/-.
12. That apart from the above my parents do not have any other source of income.
13. That my annual family income is Rs. \_\_\_\_\_/- per annum and does not exceed Rs. 3,00,000/- per annum.
14. That the information given above is true and correct, and nothing stated is false and I shall be responsible for correctness of the information.

Declared on this \_\_\_\_\_ th day of month of \_\_\_\_\_ of the year \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
DECLARANT

**Consent for Authentication**

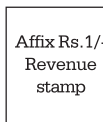
I, the holder of Aadhaar number \_\_\_\_\_, hereby give my consent to Directorate of Women & Child Development to obtain my Aadhaar number, Name and Fingerprint/Iris for authentication with UIDAI. Directorate of Women & Child Development has informed me that my identity information would only be used for Laadli Laxmi Scheme and also informed that my biometrics will not be stored/shared and will be submitted to Central Identities Data Repository only for the purpose of authentication.

(Signature of the Aadhaar Number Holder/I agree)

Sr. No. \_\_\_\_\_

**PRE-RECEIPT**

Received with thanks from Director of Women and Child Development, Panaji a sum of Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees one lakh only) in the form of Fixed Deposit Receipt (FDR)/Cash towards financial assistance under Laadli Laxmi Scheme.



Date :

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Place:

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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