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NISER has instituted the **DISHA (DAE Incentive Scheme for Holistic Science Education and Augmentation)** scholarship for the students pursuing Integrated M.Sc. programme at NISER w.e.f. Academic Year 2016-17. (As per DAE OM No. 4575, dated March 31, 2017)

This scholarship scheme is regulated by the following guidelines:

- I. All the students admitted to the 5 year Integrated M.Sc. Programme at NISER through NEST and who are not getting any other scholarship are entitled for DISHA scholarship sponsored by Department of Atomic Energy (DAE), Government of India.
- II. The student shall receive only one scholarship either the DST Inspire Scholarship or DISHA. All students irrespective of the discipline that they choose at the end of 1st year, viz. Chemical Sciences, Physical Sciences, Biological Sciences, Mathematical Sciences, Computer Sciences, Earth and Planetary Sciences or a future Academic Programme, will be eligible for the DISHA Scholarship.

- III. The Scholarship shall stand cancelled in case the student decides to withdraw from the programme. There shall not be any provision for carrying the Scholarship to any other Institute if the student gets admitted to similar programme.
- IV. Amount of Scholarship & Mentorship Grant is similar to DST- INSPIRE SHE program. Each scholar shall get Rs.60,000/- per annum as scholarship and Rs.20,000/- per annum as mentorship/contingency grant.
- V. The maximum tenure of Scholarship shall be five years from the date of admission to the Integrated M.Sc programme at NISER.
- VI. In the 1st year of the Int. M.Sc. Program, all DISHA scholars are eligible for scholarship & mentorship Grant. The continuation of the scholarship for subsequent years will be on the basis of academic performance of the scholars in their last academic year.

For continuation of the Scholarship, the Student shall,

- i) passed all the courses
 - ii) Secure minimum SGPA of 6.00 and minimum CGPA of 6.00 on a 10.00 point scale at the end of a given Academic year (calculated by considering courses in the specific Academic year only) of the Integrated M.Sc. programme failing which the Scholarship for the next Academic year will not be paid.
- VII) If a scholar fails in one or more course (s) or could not attend the annual/any of the semester examination(s), the DISHA scholarship for the next academic year will be forfeited. The scholarship will be resumed only prospectively in the next to next academic year, provided the scholar's academic performance is within aforesaid eligibility norm mentioned at VI) (i) and (ii)

For example, if a student scores a CGPA of 5.5 at the end of the 1st year in academic session 2016-17, he/she'll not receive the scholarship during the academic year 2017-18. However, if the student performs well and secures a CGPA \geq 6.00, then his/her scholarship will be resumed from the academic year 2018-19.

VIII) MENTORSHIP GRANT

To avail the mentorship grant, the scholars are required to do project work under a Research Supervisor (mentor) during summer vacation period, in any recognized University or Institutes or Research Laboratories/Centres of their choice (preferably outside their parent institution) either in India or abroad.

The utilization of the mentorship grant shall be governed by the office order No.NISER/ACAD/OO/2012-13/042 Dtd.07.12.2012 and No. NISER/ACAD/OO/2014-15/37 dtd.17.08.2014.

Consumables required to carry out project work, if recommended by Mentor, will be paid from the Mentorship grant, either to the institute where the project work is pursued or to the Scholar directly. For students doing a project in India, the expenses incurred for travel, accommodation and consumable expenses will be reimbursed to the student within the mentorship grant.

IX) MODE OF PAYMENT

Students are required to open a regular bank account with Indian Overseas Bank /State Bank of India at NISER campus. The Scholarship will be directly credited to the students' bank account.

X) RENEWAL OF THE SCHEME

The scheme will be renewed by the Department of Atomic Energy as and when INSPIRE Scholarship for higher education is renewed by Department of Science & Technology. Further, the implementation and continuance of DISHA is subject to financial outlay of the funding agency.

XI) A student holding any other fellowship cannot be transferred to DISHA Scheme and/or Vice-versa.


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