

Skill Development Allowance/Kaushal Vikas Bhatta

Skill Development Allowance aims at providing allowance to educated unemployed persons for their Skill upgradation. Under this scheme unemployed Himachali youth and vocational students pursuing vocational education under NSQF HP Scheme at schools across the state are eligible to claim allowance provided they meet certain criteria.

The vocational students pursuing various vocational subject at their schools are encouraged to acquire the benefits of the scheme.

Eligibility Criteria:

- a) She/He should be a **Bonafide Himachali**.
- b) She/He should have **passed minimum 8th from any Board/University/Institution recognized by H.P. Govt.** There will be no requirement of minimum qualification for admissibility of allowance under the Scheme when applicant wants to pursue training in Sectors such as masonry, carpentry, blacksmithy or plumbing etc.
- c) She/He should be **registered with any Employment Exchange in Himachal Pradesh** as on the date of application.
- d) Her/His **annual family income** for the Financial Year immediately preceding date of application, from all sources including that of spouse should be **less than Rs. 2.00 Lakh** (Rs. Two Lakhs).
- e) She/He should be **above 16 years**.
- f) She/He should **not be self-employed**.
- g) She/he **should be enrolled in a skill development training**.

Persons not eligible:

- a) A person who had any **income** of his own or whose family income from all sources was **Rs. 2.00 lakh (Rs. Two Lakh) or more** during the year immediately preceding the

date of application and also the period for which Skill Development Allowance is claimed.

c) A person who is **not a Bonafide Himachali**.

d) A person who is **under 16 years**.

Rate of Allowance:

For person with 50% permanent disability, Rs.1500/- per month.

For all others Rs.1000/- per month

Duration of the Allowance:

Maximum time period of allowance is 24 months. But the trainings done subsequent to one another.

Application Process:

Application to be submitted in prescribed format at Employment Exchange of H.P. where the applicant is registered or at district level wherein the applicant is obtaining training.

Link to download application form: www.himachal.nic.in/employment.

Mode of allowance:

Applicant must have a valid bank account as the allowance is paid through RTGS transfer only.

Attachments to made for application process:

Applicant must attach following along with application form duly filled:

1. Passport size photo.
2. Affidavit now self-certified declaration on prescribed format (Form C),

For applicant below 18 years of age, their parents/guardians have to file certified declaration (the format of which is available on line).

3. Income certificate issued by an Executive Magistrate in which it is also stated that the applicant is not employed in the Government/its agencies, public sector undertakings/bodies/boards/corporations.
4. Attested copy of X-10 (Employment Exchange Identity Card)
5. Attested copy of 8th class/10 marksheet/Birth Certificate.
6. Attested copy of Bonafide Himachali Certificate.
7. Attested copy of enrolment or admission certificate in a skill development training course.
8. Attested copy of Aadhaar Card.

Applicant must 8th/10th class original mark sheet/Birth Certificate to the Employment Exchange at the time of application for verification of age and for marking original marksheet with SDA Application Number for monitoring.

The above descriptions encompass the applicability of the scheme for the benefit of the vocational students pursuing vocational education at school across state of Himachal Pradesh. For completed details of the scheme refer to https://himachal.nic.in/WriteReadData/1892s/14_1892s/SDA-93604762.pdf.