

PRESS RELEASE

Max Healthcare Foundation introduces Max Medical Scholarship Programme to fund medical education of 100 meritorious MBBS students

- In line with the Foundation's aim of supporting educational needs for students from economically weaker sections
- The Scholarship is reiteration of the Foundation's efforts to create greater access to quality medical education and healthcare

February 20, 2023, New Delhi: In an effort to break down the barriers of financial constraints that often hinder promising students from economically disadvantaged households, Max Healthcare Foundation (MHF) has introduced the **'Max Medical Scholarship Programme'**.

The **Max Medical Scholarship Programme** is part of Max Healthcare Foundation's corporate social responsibility programme that aims to encourage, support aspirations of next generation medical professionals. The scholarship will fully fund medical education of 100 students every year from economically weaker sections (EWS), who have qualified the National Eligibility cum Entrance Test (NEET examination) and gained admission to the Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) program in the eight government medical colleges in Delhi for academic year 2023-24.

The registrations for this scholarship will open from 20th February, 2024 (<u>www.maxhealthcarefoundation.org</u>). The Max Medical Scholarships marks one of the largest-ever annual scholarship grants for medical education in India.

Speaking on the announcement, **Mrs. Taruna Soi, Chairperson Max Healthcare Foundation,** said *"Financial constraints can often exclude meritorious students from economically disadvantaged communities to drop out before completing their education. To empower such students, we are proud to announce Max Medical Scholarship Programme, which will fully fund medical education of 100 such meritorious students. Rooted in our core values of care and compassion, this corporate social responsibility initiative aims to empower the next generation of medical professionals. Together, we nurture talent, break down barriers and forge a brighter, more inclusive future in healthcare."*

The applications will be open for a 15-day window following the program's announcement. This will be followed by multiple stages including application review and shortlisting, interviews of shortlisted applicants and final selection basis submission of mandatory documents. The selection process for these 100 scholars is based on rigorous evaluation criteria6 that will be assessed by a jury from Max Healthcare Foundation.

The selected students will be granted a comprehensive financial assistance in the first year for the duration of their 5-year MBBS course. This will cover re-imbursement of tuition fees, a personal laptop, books and tools like bone set, dissection kit, stethoscope and an allowance for monthly expenses etc. From the second year onwards, the Scholarship will continue to cover the tuition fees and allowance for monthly expenses for each of the 100 students, till the end of the 5-year MBBS course. *The scholarship is contingent on the selected students signing up for regular, periodic reviews and assessments that will guide their participation*. The initiative intends to support the academic expenses of the students throughout their educational journey. Every year, 100 scholarships will be granted to the eligible beneficiaries.

The scholarship forms are available on <u>www.maxhealthcarefoundation.org</u> for students from economically weaker sections, in the eight esteemed government colleges in Delhi.



Guidelines for Eligibility Criteria of the Scholarship:

- The applications are open for 15 days until March 6, 2024, students can fill up and submit the same on www.maxhealthcarefoundation.org.
- Max Healthcare social media handles will also share timely updates on the programme.
- The selection process will have a detailed assessment and validation of various socioeconomic criteria and NEET Rank, to arrive at the list of 100 students.
- MHIL reserves the right to change, modify, add, or remove portions of the terms at any time at its discretion. Please check the terms and any guidelines on the website periodically for changes.

About Max Healthcare Foundation:

Max Healthcare Foundation represents the corporate social responsibility (CSR) initiatives of Max Healthcare Institute Limited (MHIL), one of India's largest hospital chains in India. The Foundation has been established with the intent of making a positive difference to underserved communities through work in the area of Education, Skills Training and Water Sustainability. In its first year, the Foundation will be introducing two flagship programmes. The Max Medical Scholarships marks one of the largest-ever annual scholarship grants for medical education in India. The Max Skill Training for Sustainable Livelihoods will focus on training 1700 undertrials in Tihar in a National Skill Qualification Framework (NSQF) Level 4 course under The Tourism & Hospitality Skill Council (THSC) guidelines and get them placed in formal jobs in Hospitality sector. In the area of Water Sustainability, the goal is to be 100% water neutral by March 2025 through recharge of water bodies in rural areas in and communities around Max Healthcare facilities.