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PARVARISH scheme for the development of children affected/orphaned due to COVID

Chandigarh's PARVARISH scheme helps children who lost one or both parents to COVID, or who had COVID, with monthly money, school and college fee support and, for some children, a fixed deposit.

What you may get

Children who lost parents to COVID and live with guardians, relatives or the surviving parent get Rs 5,000 a month till age 18 (up to 21 if unemployed after 18, on assessment), free education in Chandigarh government schools, and yearly fee support: up to Rs 25,000 for a diploma, Rs 50,000 for a graduation degree and Rs 1,00,000 for a professional degree. Children admitted to a child care institution get a fixed deposit of Rs 3,00,000 in their name, payable at age 21. COVID positive children living at home get Rs 2,500 a month for 3 months.

Who it is for

Residents of Chandigarh under 18 who lost one or both parents to COVID, or who were affected by COVID, and fall in one of the four categories of the scheme.

Main conditions

- The child lives in Chandigarh, shown by Aadhaar, driving licence, voter ID or an electricity bill of the parent.
- The child is below 18 years of age, shown by a birth certificate or a certificate from the school or institution last attended.
- The parent's death must be due to COVID, shown by a death certificate or proof that the parent tested positive not more than 3 months before dying. Parents must have died on or after 1 March 2020.
- A child who lost one parent and lives with the surviving parent or relatives must come from a family with annual income below Rs 5 lakh.
- A COVID positive child must be in need of care and protection and must have been affected on or after 1 January 2021. Help starts from the date of application.
- Money is paid by the District Child Protection Unit after the Child Welfare Committee approves it. For fee support the child needs 75% attendance and must not fail more than once in classes 9 to 12.

Documents

- Aadhaar card, driving licence, voter ID or electricity bill of the parent as residence proof
- Birth certificate or certificate from the head of the school or technical institution last attended, as age proof
- Death certificate of the parent, or proof that the parent tested COVID positive not more than 3 months before death
- Admission or enrolment receipt and fee structure of the private school, college or institute, for fee support

How to apply

1. Contact the DCPU (District Child Protection Unit) at Maloya, Chandigarh, in the Snehyalaya Building, first floor. Phone: 0172-2643654.
2. Give the DCPU the documents above. It assesses the case and recommends it to the Child Welfare Committee, whose approval is needed before money is paid.
3. For school or college fee support, also give the admission or enrolment receipt and the fee structure of the institution.

Status

Active

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Labh Lo page: https://labhlo.in/en/schemes/chandigarh/chd-parvarish-covid-children/

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