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72 Hostels Scheme (Hostels for OBC, VJNT, SBC and EBC students)

Maharashtra runs hostels for OBC, VJNT, SBC and economically backward students who go on to higher studies after Std 12, with free lodging and monthly allowances.

What you may get

Free hostel lodging, plus a food allowance of Rs 4,500 per month and a maintenance allowance of Rs 600 per month, paid for 10 months of the year.

Who it is for

Students from Maharashtra in the OBC, VJNT, SBC and economically backward categories who are in higher education after Std 12.

Main conditions

- The student must be a resident of Maharashtra.
- The student must belong to the OBC, VJ, NT, SBC or economically backward category.
- The student must be studying in higher education after Std 12.
- Parents' yearly income must be below Rs 2.50 lakh.
- The student needs at least 60 percent marks in Std 12, and hostel seats are given by merit.

How to apply

1. Apply on the hostel admission website hmas.mahait.org, which the scheme page gives for applications.
2. Read the admission terms PDF and the government resolution linked on the scheme page before you apply.
3. For anything not covered there, contact the Other Backward Bahujan Welfare Department.

Status

Active

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