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Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya

Residential girls' schools in educationally backward blocks of Madhya Pradesh, giving girls of classes 6 to 12 from disadvantaged groups free meals and lodging along with schooling.

What you may get

Selected girls study while living in a Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya and receive free meals and lodging. Type I schools run classes 6 to 8 and Type III schools run classes 6 to 12. The schools are set up in educationally backward blocks, leaving out Raisen, Narsinghpur, Shajapur and Datia districts.

Who it is for

Girls from disadvantaged groups in rural, educationally backward blocks of Madhya Pradesh, mainly SC, ST, OBC, minority and BPL family girls.

Main conditions

- Priority goes to girls who left school because no school is near (no middle school within 3 km, no high school within 5 km), dropouts, never-enrolled, homeless, orphan, single-parent and orthopaedically disabled girls.
- Girls who passed class 5 are admitted to class 6, and class 5 pass girls of primary-level ashram schools for SC and ST can also join class 6.
- At least 75 percent of the girls in each school are to be from SC, ST, OBC or minority communities, and up to 25 percent can be from BPL families.
- Girls from forest villages and remote hamlets with no road or schooling, and orphan girls, are chosen on priority.
- Girls who live locally in the school's own area are not admitted to the hostel.

Status

Active

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