

# PRADHAN MANTRI ANUSUCHIT JAATI ABHUYDAY YOJANA

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Promote SC Women Cooperatives engaged in production and marketing of consumer goods and services.

Objectives:-

Scheme for construction of hostels to enable and encourage Scheduled Caste students to attain quality education and reduce their dropout rate

Implemented through the State Governments, UT Administrations & Central and State Universities/Institutions

Admissible Central assistance for construction

North Eastern Region: Rs. 3.50 lakh per

Northern Himalayan Regions: Rs 3.25 lakh per

Gangetic Plains & Lower Himalayan Region: Rs3.00 lakh per

One time Grant of Rs. 5000/- per student for making provisions of cot, table etc.

Repair and maintenance cost uptoRs.5.00lakh for an hostel of 50 inmates constructed under the scheme, once in 5 years

Hostels to be completed within specified period of 27 months.

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Implementing agencies to send proposals online through PMAJAY portal

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