



## **Sikyong Professional Scholarship Program (SPSP)**



### **Announcement - 2015**

**Introduction:** The Department of Education (DoE), Central Tibetan Administration (CTA) is pleased to institute a new scholarship program entitled **Sikyong Professional Scholarship Program (SPSP)** in partnership with the Tibet Fund (TF), New York.

The SPSP aims to provide support to high achieving Tibetan students from India, Nepal and Bhutan, who wish to pursue professional degrees at the most selective professional Institutes in India. Many institutions/courses are until now, perceived as financially out of reach of our students and therefore compel them to adjust their educational aspirations to the financial constraints of scholarships. This program therefore seeks to address this continuing challenge faced by our students. The Scholarship is provided by the Tibet Fund, New York, through the Department of Education, CTA.

#### **Eligibility Criteria:**

- (i) Applicant must be a Tibetan refugee student from India, Nepal & Bhutan
- (ii) Applicant & Applicant's Parents should have paid the Green Book (GB) contribution till 31st December, 2014.
- (iii) A Tibetan student who has not graduated from any Secondary Schools under Department of Education, CTA and has not studied Tibetan language in a school must have a minimum score of 33% in the Tibetan Language Proficiency Test (TLPT). Applicant should register for TLPT with DoE by April 15, 2015 and the test will be conducted on April 30, 2015.
- (iv) Cut off marks required to apply for the Scholarship:
  - a) The applicant applying for Bachelor Degree Scholarship must have scored 80% in the Senior Secondary Board Examination or equivalent.
  - b) The applicant applying for Post Graduate & Doctoral Degree must have scored 60% in Bachelor's Final Examination.
- (v) Applicant must have taken Entrance Test for the professional course one chooses to pursue.

(vi) Applicant must be pursuing below mentioned courses from list of Top Ten Colleges/ Institutes/Universities (list attached) as per the June 2014 survey conducted by India Today Magazine or Universities accredited with "A" & above by NAAC.

**Courses:**

a) Students pursuing Professional Bachelor degree in Engineering (B.E.), Medicine (MBBS.), Dental Surgery (B.D.S.), B.A LLB (Law) and Architecture (B.Arch.)

b) Students pursuing M.Phil., Ph.D and Master's degree in the field of Law, Medicine, Engineering, Education, Mass Communication, Business and Public Administration.

**Documents to be submitted:**

- Copy of Class X and XII Marks Card
- Copy of Bachelor, Master & Post Graduate's Marks Card and Degree Certificates for PG, M.Phil. and Ph.D program
- Two Passport size photos
- Personal Statement
- Two Reference letters from former Teachers/Professors/Employer
- The photocopy of the first and last page of the RC with validity. If the RC book has been sent for renewal/extension, the letter to this effect should be obtained from the concerned Foreign Regional Registration Office (FRRO) or Tibetan Settlement Officer(TSO) in cases where FRRO do not issue the letter.
- The photocopy of first and last page of the Applicants & his/her parents GB with letter from concerned Rawang Dhenpai Tsokchung certifying that applicant and his/her parent's have paid the GB dues.
- Applicant from Nepal and Bhutan must submit a letter from respective Tibetan Settlement Office, certifying that the applicant is a bonafide Tibetan refugee.
- Applicants whose parents live in Tibet or are deceased or divorced, a letter certifying the same from the Settlement Officer/Principal of Tibetan Secondary School (recognized by DoE) must be submitted.

**General Guideline Instruction:**

(i) Download the **Application Form** from DOE and Tibet Fund websites - [www.sherig.org/](http://www.sherig.org/) [www.lamton.org/](http://www.lamton.org/) [www.tibetfund.org](http://www.tibetfund.org)

(ii) All the photocopies of the documents must be attested, signed & stamped by the TSO/Principal of Tibetan Secondary School/Officers of CTA with rank of Joint Secretary and above.

(iii) All the information in the Application form must be completed. Incomplete application will not be entertained.

**Application Deadline:**

(i) Applicants applying for Bachelor Courses: **June 10, 2015** before 6:00 P.M.

(ii) Applicants applying for Post Graduate & Doctoral Courses: **August 31, 2015** before 6:00 P.M

**Submit applications to:**

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