

National Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe Hub (NSSH) Scheme

About: National Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe Hub (NSSH) scheme was formally launched by the Hon'ble Prime Minister in October 2016. NSSH is aimed at capacity enhancement of SC/ST entrepreneurs and promoting "entrepreneurship culture" amongst the SC / ST population. The Scheme is empowering the SC/ST population to participate in public procurement process and fulfill the mandated target of 4% procurement from SC/ST enterprises under Public Procurement Policy by the Ministries, Departments and CPSEs. The scheme is applicable from the date of sanction till 31.03.2026. The total plan outlay of NSSH for the period from FY 2021-22 to FY 2025-26 would be Rs. 438 crore.

- **Scheme Benefits:**

- **Special Credit Linked Capital Subsidy Scheme:**

- **Benefit:** 25% capital subsidy for SC-ST owned MSEs (Micro and Small Enterprises) to purchase Plant & Machinery/Equipment through institutional finance.
- **Subsidy Cap:** 25 lakh.
- No sector-specific restrictions.

- **Capacity Building and Training Programs:**

- **Objective:** Provide skill and entrepreneurship development training for SC-ST entrepreneurs.
- **Benefit:** Fully sponsored training programs conducted by government/autonomous institutions, and toolkits provided after successful completion.

- **Special Marketing Assistance Scheme (SMAS):**

- **Objective:** Enhance the competitiveness and marketability of SC-ST enterprise products.
- **Benefit:** Support for participation in 4 domestic and 2 international exhibitions/trade fairs each financial year.

- **Single Point Registration Scheme (SPRS):**

- **Benefit:** 100% subsidy for NSIC registration under SPRS. SC-ST MSEs pay only Rs. 100 plus GST.

- **Reimbursement of Bank Loan Processing Fee:**

- **Benefit:** 80% or , Rs. 1,00,000, whichever is less, reimbursed for bank loan processing charges.

- **Reimbursement of Performance Bank Guarantee Charges:**
 - **Benefit:** 80% or , Rs. 1,00,000, whichever is less, reimbursed for performance bank guarantee charges.
- **Reimbursement of Testing Fees:**
 - **Benefit:** 80% or , Rs. 1,00,000, whichever is less, for testing services from Government/NABL/BIS-accredited laboratories, and certification/licensing from BIS.
- **Reimbursement of Export Promotion Council Membership:**
 - **Benefit:** 80% reimbursement (up to ,Rs.20,000) of annual membership fees of Export Promotion Councils.
- **Reimbursement of Government E-Commerce Portals Subscription:**
 - **Benefit:** 80% or up to ,Rs. 25,000, whichever is less, reimbursed for annual membership fees of Government e-commerce portals such as GeM, e-Khadi, Tribes India, MSME Mart.
- **Short-Term Training Program Fee Reimbursement (Top 50 NIRF Ranked Institutions):**
 - **Benefit:** 90% or up to ,Rs. 1,00,000 reimbursement for SC-ST entrepreneurs attending up to two short-term training programs at top 50 NIRF ranked management institutions.
- **Eligibility Criteria:**
 - Applicant should have a micro or small scale industry.
 - Applicant should belong to Scheduled Caste (SC) or Scheduled Tribe (ST).
 - The enterprise must be registered with the Udyam portal or any other valid registration platform recognized by the MSME Ministry.
- **Application Process:**
 - **Online:**
 - Applicant need to visit the official website <https://www.scsthub.in>.
 - For registration [click on sign-up](#) and provide the following details
 - Full Name
 - Valid Email ID
 - Mobile Number
 - Password and confirm password
 - For login click on [login](#).
 - After login complete the required information.

◆ **Documents Required:**

- Self-certified copy of Udyam Registration (UR).
- Self-certified copy of PAN card - in case of proprietorship, PAN card of SC/ST proprietor ought to be submitted.
- Copy of Caste Certificate of all promoters.
- Cancelled Cheque of the current account of the enterprise from which the EPC membership fee has been debited.
- Proof of transferred amount as reimbursement by NSSHO/ NSIC through PFMS under the scheme, where any such assistance is availed earlier with in the same financial year.
- Some additional Documents as required.