

## **Available Scholarships at PIEAS**

### **1. Qarz-e-Hasna for Tuition Fee**

Up to 25% of the tuition fee (TF) received from all BS and Regular Fee-Based (RFB) MS students is given to deserving students as a TF waiver under Qarz-e-Hasna. This is the major portion of financial assistance offered by PIEAS. The term *Qarz-e-Hasna* implies that students are expected to return the amount whenever they become financially able to do so, typically after securing employment. The repaid amount is then used to support other needy students at PIEAS.

### **2. Qarz-e-Hasna for OTTF**

*OTTF* (Other Than Tuition Fee) covers any or all of the hostel dues, transport charges, and academic charges excluding tuition fees. These charges are paid from the Education Support Fund (ESF), which is funded through donations. Donors may include PIEAS staff, PAEC establishments, PIEAS alumni, or other contributors. OTTF support is awarded each semester but to a limited number of students due to restricted funds.

### **3. Qarz-e-Hasna for Living Expenses Support**

Highly deserving students who cannot afford their mess bills are provided living expense support at Rs. 8,000 per month during fall and spring semesters. The funding sources for Living Expenses (LE) are the same as those for OTTF.

### **4. Scholarships by or through HEC**

HEC periodically announces various scholarship schemes such as those for FATA-Balochistan students, Gilgit-Baltistan students, the EHSAAS Program, or other government-funded schemes. The selection criteria are set by HEC, and applications are submitted online. For certain schemes (e.g., FATA-Balochistan and GB), HEC conducts selection tests. For others, like EHSAAS, selection is carried out by HEC in collaboration with the PIEAS Focal Person.

### **5. Scholarships by PEEF for Danish School Students**

PEEF supports students from Danish Schools who secure admission to universities. PIEAS and PEEF have an agreement to fully support these students at PIEAS. Currently, PEEF provides support of Rs. 136,500 per year, while PIEAS grants 100% tuition fee waiver. This allows the students to receive completely free education covering tuition, academic, and hostel/transport charges. Extremely deserving students (mostly orphans with no income in the family) are also granted living expenses to cover mess charges. These students must also apply for financial assistance and are assessed by the Financial Aid Committee.

## **6. PEEF Centre of Excellence (CoE) Scholarships**

On the request of the Financial Aid Office, PIEAS has been recognized by PEEF as a Centre of Excellence. PEEF has committed 15 additional scholarships annually starting from the 2023–24 academic year. These are in addition to the support provided to Danish School students. The students for PEEF CoE are recommended by the financial aid committee during the selection process for Qarz-e-Hasna. The PIEAS Focal Person for PEEF forwards the nominations to PEEF after fulfilling all requirements following the fall semester results.

## **7. PEEF Special Quota Scholarships**

PEEF offers Special Quota Scholarships for Punjab-domiciled students with fresh FSc/A-level qualifications under the following categories:

- i. Orphaned children
- ii. Children of government servants in BPS 1–4
- iii. Special (disabled) children
- iv. Children belonging to minority religions
- v. Children of civilians martyred in terrorist attacks
- vi. Children of divorced mothers

Applications are usually invited in October. The Financial Aid Office informs students through various means, and applications are submitted online via the PEEF-provided link.

## **8. PEEF Merit Scholarships**

PEEF also offers merit scholarships based on FSc results for students from government institutions in Punjab.

**Note:** For all PEEF scholarships, only Punjab-domiciled students who are not FSc repeaters are eligible.

## **9. KPEF Scholarships**

Each year, four scholarships are awarded by the KPK Education Foundation (KPEF) to PIEAS students from KPK/FATA. These include one boy and one girl from BS, and one boy and one girl from RFB MS programs. Candidates are selected by the KPEF focal person in consultation with the Head of the Financial Aid Office.

## **10. Chief Minister Education Foundation KPK Scholarships**

A limited number of scholarships are awarded each year to KPK-domiciled RFB MS Medical Physics students of PIEAS (e.g., four scholarships for the 2023–25 session). Selection is conducted by Dr. Basim Kakakhel, the designated PIEAS focal person for this scheme.

## **11. BEEF Scholarships**

The Balochistan Education Endowment Fund (BEEF) provides scholarships for BS and RFB MS students from Balochistan enrolled in universities outside the province under the "Out of Province Scholarship Scheme." The PIEAS focal person coordinates with BEEF and facilitates the application process.

## **12. Individually Sponsored Scholarships**

Some scholarships are funded by individual donors or PIEAS alumni. Examples include the Rizvi Kidwai Scholarship for BSCS students, Major General Abid Mumtaz (Retd) scholarship for BS students and Dr. Tariq Yasin (Ex Registrar PIEAS) scholarship for RFB MS students at PIEAS.

## **13. Support Through Benevolent Fund**

Children of provincial or federal government employees may receive financial support through the relevant employees' benevolent fund departments.

## **14. Other Miscellaneous Scholarships**

In addition to the above, various other scholarships are offered by organizations such as FFC and individual donors.

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## **Procedure for Applying for Qarz-e-Hasna**

No financial assistance is provided at the time of admission; all students are required to pay the full fee initially. Applications for financial assistance are invited during the first semester. Students are informed via email and through their student portals. The Financial Aid Committee evaluates applicants based on the submitted data, documents, and interviews. Approved assistance is granted following endorsement by the competent authorities. To continue receiving aid in subsequent semesters, students must maintain a minimum GPA/CGPA of 2.67 (subject to change as needed).