

Kerala Agricultural University Reaffirms Commitment to Student Welfare; Clarifies Extensive Financial Aid for the Needy Students

Kerala Agricultural University has reaffirmed that no deserving student will be forced to discontinue studies due to financial difficulties. The University provides all necessary support to economically disadvantaged students to avail eGrantz scholarships. In addition, the Vice-Chancellor's Merit-cum-Means Scholarship (VCMMS) has been introduced for students who do not receive any fee concessions and whose annual family income is below ₹5 lakh.

While implementing the revised fee structure, the University ensured that students from low-income families were exempted from the increased fees or were provided with special scholarships as per existing regulations. This measure guarantees that no eligible student is denied education on account of financial hardship. Students facing severe financial crises during their course period will also be considered on a case-by-case basis for inclusion under the Merit-cum-Means Programme (VCMMS). Details of this initiative have been published on the University website and communicated to all students and parents during admission.

As classes are set to commence on October 28, 2025, the University has clarified the situation following a recent instance of a newly admitted student applying for a Transfer Certificate (TC) citing financial reasons. To address the student's concerns, the Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture personally held detailed discussions with the student, explained the various financial assistance schemes available, and assured full financial support. This particular student is eligible to avail eGrantz fellowship which covers full tuition and hostel fees.

"It is the firm policy of the University that no student should be denied education due to financial constraints. In addition to government schemes and University scholarships, financial assistance is also available through alumni contributions and PTA support. Students facing such difficulties are encouraged to contact their respective College Deans or the Director of Students' Welfare," the University stated.