

RTC- YDF SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

In line with the noble vision of encouraging and enabling capable youth from economically disadvantaged backgrounds to pursue higher education, the Royal Thimphu College (RTC) and the Youth Development Fund (YDF) jointly introduced this scholarship programme.

1. SCHOLARSHIP

The 'RTC-YDF Need-Based Scholarship Programme will cover the following:

- 1.1. Tuition fee for four years.
- 1.2. Meals and accommodation for four years.
- 1.3. Access to the standard medical facilities available to all RTC students.

2. OBLIGATION ON THE PART OF THE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

- 2.1. The recipient must complete his/her degree within the stipulated period of the programme. Any extension beyond this period must be borne by the recipient.
- 2.2. The recipient must commence full-time study in the specific programme as per the admission offer letter issued by RTC.
- 2.3. Upon successful completion of the programme, the recipient shall intern with YDF for three months.

3. CANCELLATION OF SCHOLARSHIP

- 3.1. The recipient discontinues the degree programme or transfers to another institution for any reason.
- 3.2. The recipient fails three (3) or more modules in a semester or otherwise fails to meet the RTC academic progression criteria. In such cases, the recipient may repeat the semester at his/her own expense. If successful, RTC and YDF funding will resume for subsequent semesters.
- 3.3. If the recipient progresses with back papers, the scholarship will continue; however, all supplementary test and examination fees shall be borne by the recipient.
- 3.4. The scholarship may also be cancelled if the recipient is subject to disciplinary action at RTC.

2. SECURITY DEPOSIT

A one-time refundable Security Deposit/Caution Money of Nu. 10,000 will be applicable for the incoming class. This must be paid together with the first semester's fees and will be refunded upon the student's departure from RTC after adjusting for any outstanding dues.

(Note: The Security Deposit will not be covered under the RTC–YDF Scholarship; it must be borne by the individual student as it is refundable.)

3. FINANCIAL OBLIGATION ON THE PART OF SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

If the scholarship is terminated under clauses 3.1, 3.2, or 3.4 above, the recipient shall be required to repay the cost of tuition, meals, and accommodation for the entire duration of the programme, based on the prevailing RTC fee structure at the time of termination, irrespective of the semester or year in which the termination occurs.