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CHIEF OF BUSINESS BUREAU

ICSI announces total fee exemption for economically backward and academically bright students for pursuing Company Secretaries Course, through ICSI – STUDENT’S EDUCATION FUND TRUST

With a view to encourage and motivate economically backward and academically bright students to pursue the Company Secretaries Course, the Institute has created a Trust viz. ICSI Students Education Fund Trust.

President ICSI, CS Nesar Ahmad, informed that the Council of the Institute of Company Secretaries of India has revised the criteria of Financial Assistance to economically backward and academically bright students through ICSI Students Education Fund Trust. The revised criteria will cater to large number of prospective students / CS Students and provide financial assistance.

He stated that Eligible students shall be fully exempted from paying the Registration / Admission Fee, Postal Tuition Fee, Exemption Fee and other fees usually payable at the time of admission to Foundation/ Executive Programmes. Depending upon their performance in the CS Examinations, the students may also be exempted from payment of Examination Fee and also the fees payable at the time of admission to Executive Programme and Professional Programme (for students admitted to Foundation Programme) and Professional Programme (for students admitted to Executive Programme) .

The Students falling in the following revised criteria can avail the ICSI Students Education Fund Trust benefits for ICSI Foundation and Executive Programme :

STAGE	CATEGORIES OF STUDENTS / ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	
	Economically backward students with good academic records	Academically Bright Students
	For Students with Family Income up to Rs.1,00,000 per annum	For Academically bright Students without any limit on their Family Income
Foundation Programme	Minimum 65% Marks (or equivalent CGPA) in both Matriculation (Class X) & Senior Secondary (Class XII) Stages	Minimum 85% Marks (or equivalent CGPA) in both Matriculation (Class X) & Senior Secondary (Class XII) Stages
Executive Programme	Minimum 65% Marks (or equivalent CGPA) in both Matriculation (Class X) & Senior Secondary (Class XII) Stages and 60% Marks in Bachelor's Degree Stage / or 65% marks in aggregate in CPT of ICAI / or 65% marks in aggregate in Foundation exam of ICoAI	Minimum 85% Marks) or equivalent CGPA) in both Matriculation (Class X) & Senior Secondary (Class XII) Stages and 70% Marks in Bachelor's Degree Stage / or 75% marks in aggregate in CPT of ICAI / or 75% marks in aggregate in Foundation exam of ICoAI

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