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5,000 UG students selected for Reliance Foundation Scholarships 2022-23

- Applications received from 40,000 applicants studying in 4,984 educational institutions
- Diverse cohort of scholars from various disciplines and 27 states selected on the basis of merit-cum-means; girls and boys equally represented
- The selected first-year UG students will receive grants of up to Rs. 2 lakh over the course of their study, become part of a strong capacity building programme and a vibrant alumni network
- Reliance Foundation committed in December 2022 to award 50,000 scholarships over 10 years

Mumbai, May 22, 2023: Five thousand first-year undergraduate students from 27 states and four Union Territories will be awarded the Reliance Foundation Undergraduate Scholarships for 2022-23. Selected scholars will receive a grant of up to Rs. 2 lakh and an opportunity to be part of an enabling alumni network.

“By enabling access to education, the Reliance Foundation Scholarships hope to give wings to dreams of young people. This is a diverse group of scholars as they are from varying disciplines of study, from nearly all the states of India and with girls and boys being equally represented. We congratulate every selected scholar and we are confident that they will build a strong future for themselves while contributing to India’s progress,” said **Mr. Jagannatha Kumar, CEO, Reliance Foundation.**

The Reliance Foundation Undergraduate Scholarships are awarded on merit-cum-means basis to students in any stream of study. For this year, selected scholars are from streams including Engineering/Technology, Science, Medicine, Commerce, Arts, Business/Management, Computer Applications, Law, Education, Hospitality, Architecture and other professional degrees. The 5,000 scholars for 2022-23 cycle, of which 51% are girls, were selected from nearly 40,000 applicants studying at over 4,984 educational institutions through a rigorous selection process, which involved an aptitude test, Class 12 marks and other eligibility criteria. Further reflecting the diversity inherent to the programme, this round saw selection of 99 students with disabilities for award of scholarships.

Strengthening its commitment last December, Reliance Foundation had announced it will award 50,000 scholarships over the next 10 years. The award of this round of scholarships takes forward Reliance’s legacy of facilitating access to education for all and nurturing talented students towards building India’s future. Since 1996, the Dhirubhai Ambani Scholarships have been awarded to nearly 13,000 undergraduate scholars on merit-cum-means basis, of which 2,720 scholars were people with disabilities.

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Selected scholars will directly receive communication about their selection and further details. Applicants can also visit www.reliancefoundation.org to know the outcome of their applications.

The announcement of the selected Reliance Foundation Postgraduate Scholars for 2022-23 is expected in July. The applications call for the next round of Reliance Foundation Undergraduate Scholarships (2023-24) will be made in the coming months.

About Reliance Foundation

Reliance Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Reliance Industries Limited, aims to play a catalytic role in addressing India's development challenges through innovative and sustainable solutions. Led by Smt. Nita Ambani, Founder and Chairperson, Reliance Foundation is relentlessly working to facilitate transformative changes for the overall wellbeing and better quality of life for all. Reliance Foundation focuses on rural transformation, education, health, sports for development, women empowerment, disaster management, urban renewal and arts, culture and heritage, and has touched the lives of over 69.5 million people across India, in more than 54,200 villages and several urban locations. For more information, please visit <https://www.reliancefoundation.org/>

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