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GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY
CHIEF SECRETARIAT
(ADI DRAVIDAR WELFARE AND SCHEDULED TRIBES WELFARE)

(G.O. Ms. No. 10/ADW&STW/A2/2025,
Puducherry, dated 09th July 2025)

NOTIFICATION

The Lieutenant-Governor, Puducherry, is pleased to make the following rules, namely:-

“Dr. B. R. Ambedkar’s Electric Auto (e-Auto) subsidy Scheme – 2025”

2. This issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department *vide* the I.D. E.Comp. No.11039/FD/F5/A1/FC/2025-26, dated 21-04-2025.

(By order of the Hon’ble Lieutenant-Governor)

K. CANDANE @ SIVARADJANE,
Under Secretary to Government
(Adi Dravidar Welfare and Scheduled Tribes Welfare).

RULES FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF “DR. B. R. AMBEDKAR’S
ELECTRIC AUTO (e-AUTO) SUBSIDY SCHEME – 2025”

1. *Short title and commencement.*— (i) These rules may be called “Dr. B. R. Ambedkar’s Electric Auto (e-Auto) subsidy Scheme-2025”;

(ii) They shall extend to whole of the Union territory of Puducherry;

(iii) They shall come into force with effect from the date of this notification in the Official Gazette.

2. *Objective.*— The objective of the Scheme is aimed to socially and economically empower Scheduled Caste / Scheduled Tribe women by supporting them in income-generating activities through the use of electric autos. The intent is to make these women self-reliant besides promoting eco-friendly public transportation.

3. *Definitions.*— In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires:-

(a) “Appellate Authority” means, the Secretary to Government in-charge of the Department;

(b) “Department” means, Adi Dravidar Welfare and Scheduled Tribes Welfare Department, Puducherry, implementing the Dr. B. R. Ambedkar’s Electric Auto (e-Auto) subsidy Scheme - 2025;

(c) “Government” means, the Administrator of Union territory of Puducherry appointed by the President of India under Article 239 of the Constitution;

(d) “Secretary” means, the Secretary to Government of Puducherry, in-charge of the subject of Adi Dravidar Welfare and Scheduled Tribes Welfare Department, Puducherry;

(e) “Scheduled Caste” means, the Castes specified in the Constitution (Puducherry) Scheduled Castes Order, 1964 as amended from time to time by the Government;

(f) “Scheduled Tribes” means, the Castes specified in the Constitution (Puducherry) Scheduled Tribes Order, 2016 as amended from time to time by the Government;

(g) “Director” means, the Director of Adi Dravidar Welfare and Scheduled Tribes Welfare Department, Puducherry;

- (h) "Union Territory" means, the Union territory of Puducherry;
- (i) "Form" means, the Application Form appended to these rules;
- (j) "e-Auto" means, a three wheeler passenger Carrier (Auto Rickshaw) of Category L5-M, powered exclusively by an electric motor whose traction energy is supplied exclusively by a traction battery installed in the vehicle, for which Type Approved Certificate issued by any agency authorized under rule 126 of Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989;
- (k) "Valid Licence" means, a driving licence issued by the Competent Authority for operating the electric auto.

4. *Eligibility.*— The following shall be the eligibility conditions to get the benefit under these Rules:-

- (a) The applicant must be Scheduled Caste / Scheduled Tribe community recognized by the Union territory of Puducherry;
- (b) The applicant should belong to this Union Territory by virtue of birth or continuous residence of not less than 5 years;
- (c) The total annual income of the applicant and her spouse should not exceed ₹ 2,00,000;
- (d) The applicant's age should not be less than 18 years and should not exceed 45 years on the date of application;
- (e) Only one person per family can avail the benefit once in their lifetime;
- (f) The persons who are availing assistance under prolonged disease are not eligible;
- (g) The applicant needs to have a valid driving licence for operating the electric auto issued by Competent Authority;
- (h) The applicant must not have availed of a similar subsidy under any other State / Central Scheme for the same purpose.

5. *Application.*— Application shall be made in the prescribed Form annexed to this notification with the following documents:-

- (a) Copy of the Birth Certificate / Age Proof Certificate, issued by the Government;

(b) Nativity, Residence, Caste and Income Certificate obtained from an Officer of the Revenue Department not below the rank of Deputy Tahsildar;

(c) Copy of Aadhaar Card;

(d) Copy of valid driving licence for operating the electric auto;

(e) Declaration on ₹ 10 stamp paper;

(f) The applicant has to submit Final invoice of the vehicle;

(g) Applicants are required to apply through a web-based prescribed Application Form, available in the internet and can be accessed at ***www.edistrict.py.gov.in***.

6. *Methodology of Selection.*— (a) All applications must be reviewed by the designated Welfare Inspector, and only eligible applications will be considered;

(b) Eligible applications must be selected by the Selection Committee;

(c) Subsidy will be distributed on a first-come-first-served basis, subject to the availability of funds;

(d) The beneficiary should not cause or permit a male driver to drive the vehicle;

(e) The beneficiary list shall be uploaded in the UDH portal to avoid duplication of benefits covered by the Schemes being implemented by other Departments, if any.

7. *Selection Criteria.*— Selection should be made, by giving advertisement in the leading dailies, one English and one regional language daily (Tamil / Telugu / Malayalam). Applicants shall be selected by seniority in age on first-come-first served basis. In case, more than 50 applications are received in a year, then applicants may be selected by drawing lots which should be done in the presence of any three applicants. The time-limit for receipt of application can be determined by the Department. After obtaining licence, application may be submitted under PM E-DRIVE (FAME-3) maximum of ₹ 50,000 subsidy. Balance amount will be paid directly to the Authorized Dealer.

8. *Selection Committee.*— Applicants shall be selected by seniority in age on first-come-first served basis. The Selection Committee constituted under the Chairmanship of the Director, and two other officials not below the rank of SAO/Assistant Director/Deputy Director/Superintendent (General Section) of the Department.

9. *Pattern of assistance.*— (a) A subsidy of 75% of the total cost of the e-Auto or ₹ 3.00 Lakh whichever is less will be paid after utilizing central incentives under PM-E-Drive Scheme (FAME-3) maximum of ₹ 50,000 to the beneficiary account;

(b) The total cost of the e-Auto will be calculated excluding of extra accessories.

(c) The payment shall be disbursed by the following method.

(i) *In case, the beneficiary has already purchased the vehicle.*— The applicant must submit the original invoice along with the application to the Department and the subsidy amount will then be credited to the beneficiary's account.

(ii) *In case, the beneficiary has not purchased the vehicle.*— The applicant must pay 25% of the total cost of the vehicle as an initial payment to the dealer and has to submit the invoice for payment along with the application. The subsidy amount will then be credited to the dealers account.

10. *Powers of the Director.*— The Director (Adi Dravidar Welfare and Scheduled Tribes Welfare) shall have powers:-

(a) To reject any applications for the reasons to be recorded in writing;

(b) To determine the eligibility or otherwise in doubtful cases;

(c) To recover the subsidy under any circumstance for reasons to be recorded in writing;

(d) To take such other steps as may be necessary for the smooth implementation of the Scheme.

11. *Monitoring and Compliance.*— (a) The implementing authority reserves the right to:

(a) Inspect the vehicle and its usage at anytime during the mandatory usage period; and;

(b) Revoke the subsidy and recover funds in case of non-compliance or misuse;

(b) Applicants must retain all relevant documents for 5 years from the date of subsidy disbursement;

(c) The implementing authority reserves the right to amend these rules or terminate the Scheme at any time, with prior public notification.

12. *Recovery / Cancellation of the Subsidy.*— Before distribution of the subsidy under this Scheme, an undertaking shall be obtained from the beneficiary to the effect that the applicant has no power to sale / lease or any other transfer of ownership of the Vehicle for a period of 5 years and in case, if it is proved/found subsequently that the information furnished by the beneficiary is false or if the e-auto is found to have been sold, the total subsidy is liable to be returned to Government or to be recovered with interest from the beneficiary. The Registering Authority shall block the transaction for transfer of ownership in the integrated software used by the Transport Department (VAHAN).

13. *To whom the application should be made.*— The application shall be made in the prescribed Form annexed to this notification to the Director in respect of the Puducherry region, Assistant Director in respect of Karaikal and Yanam regions and to the Regional Administrator Mahe, in respect of Mahe region. The respective regions shall forward the application, if any received to the Director, Adi Dravidar Welfare and Scheduled Tribes Welfare for further process at his end.

14. *Removal of Doubts.*— If, any doubt arises as to the interpretation of any of these rules, the same shall be referred to the Government and the decision of the Government shall be the final.

ANNEXURE

FORM

Application No.

(See Rule 5)

**APPLICATION FOR “DR. B. R. AMBEDKAR’S ELECTRIC AUTO
(E-AUTO) SUBSIDY SCHEME – 2025”**

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|--|---|
| 1. Name | : |
| 2. Father / Husband’s Name | : |
| 3. Gender | : |
| 4. Date of Birth | : |
| 5. Nativity / Residence | : |
| 6. Annual Income | : |
| 7. Address | : |
| | |
| 8. Educational Status | : |
| 9. Caste | : |
| 10. Valid Driving Licence No.
and Date of expiry | : |
| 11. Contact Number | : |
| 12. Aadhaar Card Number | : |
| 13. Invoice No. (original) | : |
| 14. Annual Income | : |
| 15. Whether the beneficiary has
already purchased the vehicle | : |

Affix Recent passport size photograph

Declaration

I W/o., D/o. assure that e-auto which I got under the Scheme of “Dr. B.R. Ambedkar’s Electric (e-Auto) subsidy Scheme – 2025” for women belonging to the Scheduled Caste/ Scheduled Tribes in the Union territory of Puducherry will be used only for the purpose for which it has been granted. I shall not sell or lease the vehicle to any other person. In case any misuse, the total cost of the vehicle shall be treated as a recoverable debt, and I shall repay the entire amount along with the interest prescribed by the Government.

Place :

Signature

Date :
