

Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY)

Introduction:

From 01.01.2017, the Maternity Benefit Programme would be implemented in all the districts of the country in accordance with the provision of the National Food Security Act, 2013. The programme is named as 'Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana' (PMMVY).

Under PMMVY, a cash incentive of ` 5000/- would be provided directly in the account of Pregnant Women and Lactating Mothers (PW&LM) for first living child of the family subject to their fulfilling specific conditions relating to Maternal and Child Health.

The eligible beneficiaries would receive the remaining cash incentives as per approved norms towards maternity benefit under Janani Suraksha Yojana (JSY) after institutional delivery so that on an average, a woman will get ` 6000/- .

Objectives of PMMVY:

- I. Providing partial compensation for the wage loss in terms of cash incentives so that the woman can take adequate rest before and after delivery of the first living child.
- II. The cash incentive provided would lead to improved health seeking behaviour amongst the Pregnant Women and Lactating Mothers (PW&LM).

Target beneficiaries:

- I. All Pregnant Women and Lactating Mothers, excluding PW&LM who are in regular employment with the Central Government or the State Governments or PSUs or those who are in receipt of similar benefits under any law for the time being in force.
- II. All eligible Pregnant Women and Lactating Mothers who have their pregnancy on or after 01.01.2017 for first child in family.

The date and stage of pregnancy for a beneficiary would be counted with respect to her LMP date as mentioned in the MCP card.

Case of Miscarriage/Still Birth:

- (i) A beneficiary is eligible to receive benefits under the scheme only once.
- (ii) In case of miscarriage/still birth, the beneficiary would be eligible to claim the remaining instalment(s) in event of any future pregnancy.
- (iii) Thus, after receiving the 1st instalment, if the beneficiary has a miscarriage, she would only be eligible for receiving 2nd and 3rd instalment in event of future pregnancy subject to fulfillment of eligibility criterion and conditionalities of the scheme. Similarly, if the beneficiary has a miscarriage or still birth after receiving 1st and 2nd instalments, she would only be eligible for receiving 3rd instalment in event of future pregnancy subject to fulfillment of eligibility criterion and conditionalities of the scheme.

Case of Infant Mortality:

A beneficiary is eligible to receive benefits under the scheme only once. That is, in case of infant mortality, she will not be eligible for claiming benefits under the scheme, if she has already received all the instalments of the maternity benefit under PMMVY earlier.

Pregnant and Lactating AWWs/ AWHs/ ASHA may also avail the benefits under the PMMVY subject to fulfillment of scheme conditionalities.

Benefits under PMMVY:

Cash incentives in three instalments i.e. first instalment of Rs. 1000/- on early registration of pregnancy at the Anganwadi Centre (AWC)/ approved Health facility as may be identified by the respective administering State/ UT, second instalment of Rs. 2000/- after six months of pregnancy on receiving at least one ante-natal check-up (ANC) and third instalment of Rs. 2000/- after child birth is registered and the child has received the first cycle of BCG, OPV, DPT and Hepatitis-B, or its equivalent/ substitute.

The eligible beneficiaries would receive the incentive given under the Janani Suraksha Yojana (JSY) for Institutional delivery and the incentive received under JSY would be accounted towards maternity benefits so that on an average a woman gets Rs. 6000/-.

Conditionalities and Instalments

PW&LM shall receive a cash benefit of Rs. 5000/- in three instalments at the following stages as specified in the table given below:

Conditionalities and Instalments		
Instalment	Conditions	Amount
First Instalment	Early Registration of pregnancy	Rs. 1,000/-
Second Instalment	Received at least one ANC (can be claimed after 6 months of pregnancy)	Rs. 2,000/-
Third Instalment	i. Child Birth is registered ii. Child has received first cycle of BCG, OPV, DPT and Hepatitis-B or its equivalent/substitute	Rs. 2,000/-

Forms and guide line can be seen at: -

<http://wcd.nic.in/sites/default/files/PMMVY%20Scheme%20Implemetation%20Guidelines%20.0.pdf>