



Empowering Girls Through Safe and Affordable Accommodation: How PM-AJAY is Supporting Access to Higher Education in Manipur

100-bedded SC Girls Hostel constructed at Dhanamanjuri University, Imphal West, MANIPUR at a cost Rs 3.50 Crores

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For students from remote and rural areas, access to safe and affordable accommodation can play an important role in enabling them to pursue higher education.

Recognising this need, a **100-bedded SC Girls Hostel was constructed at Dhanamanjuri University, Imphal West, MANIPUR** under the Hostel Component of the **Pradhan Mantri Anusuchit Jaati Abhyuday Yojana (PM-AJAY)**. The facility is being used by students from different communities, with SC students from far-flung areas of Manipur among the beneficiaries.

Constructed during 2022-23 at a cost of Rs 3.50 Crores under PM-AJAY, the hostel has significantly improved access to higher education for girl students from remote and rural parts of the State. Dhanamanjuri University is one of the reputed institutions in Manipur and attracts students from all districts, making accessible residential facilities an important support for students pursuing higher education.

100-Bedded SC Girls Hostel at Dhanamanjuri University, Imphal West

The hostel provides safe and affordable accommodation, enabling students to pursue higher education without the difficulties associated with daily travel or private lodging. The facility has become an important support system for girls seeking better educational opportunities and academic growth, particularly those travelling from distant parts of Manipur.



Hostel facility supporting higher education for girls from remote areas

The impact of the intervention is reflected in its utilisation. As of 29 May 2026, 76 students were residing in the hostel. By providing residential support close to the university, the facility is helping students overcome accommodation and commuting-related challenges and continue their academic pursuits in a secure and supportive environment.

Safe Accommodation | Affordable Stay | Better Access to Higher Education

The 100-bedded SC Girls Hostel at Dhanamanjuri University demonstrates how targeted educational infrastructure under PM-AJAY can strengthen access to higher education for students from far-flung areas. By providing safe and affordable accommodation, the initiative is supporting girls in pursuing higher education and creating a stronger foundation for their academic growth.

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