



Building a New Beginning Through the Inter-Caste Marriage Incentive Scheme

Mr. Aditya Sadhu Sawant and Mrs. Khushi Pravin Shaha's Journey Towards Equality and Social Harmony

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Marriage is not only the union of two individuals but also an opportunity to strengthen mutual respect, equality and harmony within society. For Mr. Aditya Sadhu Sawant and Mrs. Khushi Pravin Shaha, their inter-caste marriage was a conscious step towards promoting these values and building a future founded on mutual understanding and social equality.

After their marriage on 1st June 2026, the couple faced financial and social challenges while establishing their new household. Like many newly married couples, they needed financial stability to meet their daily needs, purchase essential household items and plan for their future. During this important phase of their lives, the Government's Inter-Caste Marriage Incentive Scheme provided them with valuable support.

The financial assistance received under the scheme helped the couple begin their married life on a stronger footing. It enabled them to purchase essential household items, manage everyday expenses and take initial steps towards securing their financial future. This timely assistance eased some of the financial pressures associated with setting up a new household and gave them greater confidence to move forward.

The support extended under the scheme also encouraged the couple to work towards a stable, independent and self-reliant future. For them, the assistance was not merely financial aid; it represented institutional encouragement for their decision to uphold equality and challenge caste-based social barriers.

The experience of Mr. Aditya Sadhu Sawant and Mrs. Khushi Pravin Shaha highlights the importance of government initiatives that support inter-caste marriages and encourage social integration. By extending financial assistance to eligible couples, the scheme provides practical support as they begin their lives together and contributes to the broader objective of reducing caste-based discrimination.

SUCCESS STORY

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Mr. Aditya Sadhu Sawant and Mrs. Khushi Pravin Shaha's Journey Towards Equality, Harmony and a Self-Reliant Life

(Name of the beneficiary couple has not been changed)

AGE (Groom & Bride) — Not Applicable	GENDER Male & Female	CATEGORY OBC/General (Inter-caste couple)
OCCUPATION Groom: Self-employed Bride: Not specified	STATE Maharashtra	DATE OF MARRIAGE 01 June 2026

BACKGROUND

Mr. Aditya Sadhu Sawant and Mrs. Khushi Pravin Shaha entered into an inter-caste marriage with the intention of promoting equality, fraternity and social harmony in society. After their marriage, they faced several financial and social challenges while establishing their new family life.

SCHEME INTERVENTION

The Government's Inter-Caste Marriage Incentive Scheme provided them with significant financial support, helping them begin their married life on a stronger footing. The assistance enabled them to purchase essential household items, meet daily needs and plan for their future financial security.

CHALLENGES

The couple faced financial and social challenges while setting up their new household and meeting daily needs.

SUPPORT PROVIDED

The financial assistance helped them purchase essential household items, manage daily expenses and plan for their future financial security.

GREATER CONFIDENCE

The support gave them the confidence to work towards a stable, independent and self-reliant future.

IMPACT

Their story highlights the scheme's role in reducing caste-based discrimination and promoting social harmony, unity and equality in society.

THEIR JOURNEY

The timely assistance increased their confidence and encouraged them to move towards a self-reliant, stable and empowered life.

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A Step Towards
Equality & Harmony*

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“ An inter-caste marriage is not just the union of two individuals, but the coming together of two families, two cultures and a stronger society. ”

— Mr. Aditya Sadhu Sawant & Mrs. Khushi Pravin Shaha —

Inter-caste marriages bring individuals and families from different social backgrounds together, creating opportunities for greater understanding, acceptance and mutual respect. Initiatives such as this help reinforce the values of fraternity, unity and equality that form the foundation of an inclusive society.

Expressing their gratitude, the beneficiary couple thanked the Government of Maharashtra and the Social Welfare Department for implementing a scheme that supports couples taking a progressive step towards social harmony. They expressed hope that many more couples would benefit from the initiative and receive the encouragement needed to build secure, happy and empowered lives.

The journey of Mr. Aditya Sadhu Sawant and Mrs. Khushi Pravin Shaha demonstrates how targeted government assistance can help newly married couples overcome initial financial challenges while advancing the larger cause of social equality. Their story reflects the importance of fostering a society where relationships are guided by mutual respect, dignity and shared aspirations rather than caste-based distinctions.

Their journey is a testament to the belief that equality begins with individual choices and grows stronger through supportive public initiatives.

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