



# A New Beginning Through the Inter-Caste Marriage Incentive Scheme

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The journey of Mr. Amit Patil and Mrs. Sneha Deshmukh (**names changed**) reflects the positive impact of the progressive initiative with regard to encouraging inter caste marriage in order to establish a tradition of inter community harmony and peaceful co-existence besides strengthening equality, mutual respect and social harmony.

The Inter-Caste Marriage Incentive Scheme implemented by the Government of Maharashtra encourages inter-caste marriages and promotes a society free from caste-based discrimination.

After their marriage, the couple faced financial constraints and social challenges while establishing their new household and adjusting to their responsibilities as a family. These challenges made it difficult to manage daily expenses, purchase essential household items and plan for their future financial security.

During this important phase of their life, financial assistance under the Inter-Caste Marriage Incentive Scheme provided valuable support. The assistance helped the couple purchase essential household items, meet daily needs and take initial steps towards securing their financial future. It eased some of the financial pressures associated with beginning a new life together and strengthened their confidence in building an independent and stable household.

Beyond its immediate financial benefits, the scheme carries a broader social message. Inter-caste marriages can help break down caste-based barriers, foster mutual understanding between communities and encourage a culture of equality and inclusion. By supporting eligible couples who take this progressive step, the scheme reinforces the values of fraternity, dignity and social unity.

# SUCCESS STORY

## PROMOTING SOCIAL HARMONY THROUGH THE INTER-CASTE MARRIAGE INCENTIVE SCHEME

Equality | Fraternity | A Stronger Society

An inter-caste marriage is not just the union of two individuals; it is a step towards a more inclusive and harmonious society. The Inter-Caste Marriage Incentive Scheme of the Government of Maharashtra supports couples like us, who believe in equality, mutual respect and a future free from caste-based discrimination.

**BENEFICIARY COUPLE** : Mr. Amit Patil and Mrs. Sneha Deshmukh (names changed)  
**SCHEME** : Inter-Caste Marriage Incentive Scheme  
**IMPLEMENTING DEPARTMENT** : Social Welfare Department, Government of Maharashtra



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### TYPE OF SUPPORT

Financial assistance under the Inter-Caste Marriage Incentive Scheme for a newly married couple.



### KEY BENEFITS

Helped us purchase essential household items, meet daily needs and plan for our future financial security.



### SOCIAL IMPACT

Helps reduce caste-based discrimination, strengthens social harmony and builds a more unified society.



### OUR JOURNEY FORWARD

The support has increased our confidence and encouraged us to move towards a self-reliant and stable life.



### FINANCIAL STABILITY

Supported us in meeting daily needs and building a secure future.



### STRONGER FAMILIES

Enabled us to start our married life with greater confidence and dignity.



### SOCIAL HARMONY

Brings together two families, two cultures and a shared vision of an inclusive society.

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We sincerely express our gratitude to the Government of Maharashtra and the Social Welfare Department for implementing this beneficial and socially progressive scheme.

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— beneficiary Couple

**EQUALITY. INCLUSION. A BRIGHTER TOMORROW.**

For Mr. Amit Patil and Mrs. Sneha Deshmukh, the assistance has been an encouraging step towards a more secure and self-reliant future. Their experience highlights how targeted government support can help couples navigate the initial challenges of married life while advancing the larger objective of social integration.

The couple expresses sincere gratitude to the Government and the Social Welfare Department for implementing this beneficial initiative. They hope that more eligible couples will benefit from the scheme and build stable family lives founded on equality, mutual respect and understanding.

Their journey demonstrates that welfare initiatives can extend beyond financial assistance to promote meaningful social change and contribute to an inclusive society where individuals are respected beyond the boundaries of caste.

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