



Promoting **A**spiration, **C**ommitment & **E**xcellence in **SPORTS**

What are the PACE Scholarships?

The PACE Scholarships are awarded by the [GoSports Foundation](#) to talented, high performing, young athletes to further our mission of empowering the next generation of sportsmen and women in India.

The PACE Scholarships offer timely and meaningful intervention and encouragement for high performing sportspersons in their run up to becoming world class athletes. The PACE Scholarships are primarily merit-based, with need being a significant consideration, all others factors being equal.

Over the last couple of years, [GoSports Foundation](#) Scholars have represented India with distinction, winning medals at the Asian Games, Commonwealth Games, Youth Olympics, IWAS Games and forming part of the FIH Women's All Star Team for 2010

Who is eligible for PACE Scholarships?

- The athletes are chosen based on a combination of merit, potential and need.
- The athlete should at least be in the top 10 in the country (in his/her age group) and have demonstrated the potential to represent India.
- Only Indian citizens are eligible for the scholarship.

Age category: 13 -21. (Exceptions may be made for differently abled athletes)

What are the categories for PACE Scholarships?

The PACE Scholarships offer three categories of athlete support, based upon the athletes level of participation in their chosen sport. The PACE Scholarships are awarded annually and renewal decisions are made based on their performance (subject to a maximum of two renewals).

- PACE Starter
- PACE Enabler
- PACE Elite

Disciplines: Badminton, tennis, table-tennis, swimming, sailing, differently abled and other Olympic sports (3 scholarships per discipline, 1 in each category)



What are the benefits received by a PACE Scholar?

The PACE Scholarships are not a complete solution for an athlete's requirement. The support and financial assistance made available to the athlete through the PACE Scholarships has proved to be of prime importance at critical junctures in the careers of the PACE Scholars. As part of the PACE Scholarships, PACE Scholars receive:

- Financial grant to cover certain training, equipment and participation expenses
- Attendance at an annual development workshop
- Access to nutritionist, mental fitness coach and other empanelled experts
- Scholarship merchandise and equipment kit from partners
- PR and press relations with respect to sporting performances
- Profile maintenance and performance tracking
- Eligibility for annual cash award for the athlete of the year

What is the process for Scholarship grant?

The applications for the PACE Scholarships are open to eligible athletes every year in the month of November. After a stringent selection process by a carefully selected panel of experts for each sport (which may include an interview), the PACE Scholars for the year are chosen. The Scholarships will be awarded in January each year.

How are PACE Scholarships funded?

The PACE Scholarships are funded by individuals and corporates who love sport, and are passionate about empowering sporting excellence in the country.