

AARAMBH

Microfinance & Government Loan Schemes

Find the right scheme, then verify the current rules.

Introduce microfinance and examples of government-linked credit schemes. Eligibility, limits, interest support and application rules can change, so users must verify current official details.

LEARN Understand the basics	THINK Compare risks and choices	ACT Use official channels
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Educational resource • Simple language • No product endorsement

Important: This booklet is for education only. Financial products, rates, eligibility, rules and scheme terms can change. Verify current information from official sources before acting.

The Guide

1. Microfinance

Microfinance generally refers to small-scale financial services for people and micro-enterprises who may have limited access to conventional finance.

Loans should still be evaluated for affordability, interest, fees, repayment schedule and the credibility of the lender or institution.

2. Government Scheme Examples

PMMY/MUDRA supports eligible micro-enterprise activities through participating lenders. Current scheme categories and limits should be checked on official government platforms.

Kisan Credit Card supports eligible farmers and agricultural/allied needs. Eligibility and lending terms depend on the current scheme and bank process.

Other schemes may support street vendors, women, entrepreneurs and self-help groups. Use myScheme to discover current central and state schemes.

3. Safe Application

Use official portals, banks or authorized channels. Never pay an unofficial 'guaranteed approval' fee.

Compare the actual loan terms and keep copies of the application and sanction documents.

Remember

A government scheme name is not a guarantee of approval. Verify eligibility and apply through official channels.

Your Action Checklist

Use this page during a workshop or at home. Tick each item only when you understand it.

Check eligibility on myScheme or the relevant official portal.

Use a regulated/authorized lender.

Read the sanction letter and repayment terms.

Never share OTPs or passwords for a loan application.

Keep receipts and application references.

Questions to Ask Before You Act

1	What exactly am I buying, joining, borrowing or authorizing?
2	What could go wrong, and what would I lose?
3	What are the fees, penalties, exclusions or conditions?
4	Who regulates or officially administers this product/scheme?
5	Where can I verify the information independently?

My Notes

Quick Questions & Trusted Sources

Is every government loan interest-free?

No. Schemes have different structures, subsidies or interest-support provisions. Check the current official terms.

Can a scheme guarantee a loan?

Eligibility does not necessarily mean automatic sanction. The lender may assess the application and repayment capacity.

Where can I find multiple schemes?

The Government of India's myScheme platform provides a national search and discovery service for schemes and eligibility.

Trusted starting points

- myScheme — Government of India scheme discovery platform.
- myScheme Kisan Credit Card information.
- myScheme PMMY/MUDRA eligibility information.

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For current rules, rates, eligibility and official application processes, always check the relevant government, regulator, bank, insurer or other official source.