



National savings Certificates Scheme

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National Savings Certificates Rules, 1989 will be called National Savings Certificates Scheme, 2019 from 12-12-2019 as specified in the Gazette Notification **G.S.R. 919(E)**.



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Conditions of Account

1. An Account may be opened by :
 - A. A Single adult
 - B. Up to THREE Adults jointly
 - C. A Minor who has attained the age of TEN Years
 - D. A Guardian on behalf of a Minor or a Person of Unsound Mind
2. An Account shall be opened with Minimum Deposit of Rs. 1,000 or any sum in the Multiple of Rs. 100 and there will be no Maximum limit for Deposit.
3. An individual may open any number of single or joint Accounts
4. The present Rate of Interest 6.8% per Annum **(01.04.2020 to 30.06.2020)**.
5. Depositor will be paid Principal amount with Interest after Five Years only.
6. A certificate of Annual Accrual of Interest shall be issued by the Account Office to the Account Holder. **(GSR 919(E) dated 12.12.2019)**



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6. Deposit in the Scheme can be made directly or through SAS Agent.
7. If an Investment is made through SAS Agent, A commission is payable to him.

Nomination

1. Nomination is mandatory in all types of Accounts even in the Minor Accounts **(GSPR-2018)**.
2. An Account Holder can Nominate maximum FOUR Individuals **(GSPR-2018 Rule 14) and applicable to all POSB Schemes**. He can also cancel or change the existing Nomination by paying fees of Rs. 50 + GST **(SB Order 3&4/2020.)**
3. During opening of an Account or later on when Nomination is registered, varied or cancelled , “ Two Witnesses ” shall be taken if Account Holder is illiterate and No witness for Literate Account holder.**(GSPR-2018 Rule 14(8),SB Order 12/2020, Rule 16 (b)(iv) CBS Manual)**



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Pledging of Account

Account can be pledged supported with acceptance Letter from the Pledgee.
Account can be pledged to:

1. The President of India or Governor of State
2. Reserve Bank of India, Scheduled Bank or Cooperative Society/Bank
3. Public or Private Corporation
4. Government Company
5. Local Authority
6. Housing Finance Company Approved by the National Housing Bank

Fees for Pledging an Account is Rs. 100 + GST (**SB Order 3 & 4/2020**)



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Transfer of Account

1. There will be fees of Rs. 100 + GST for transfer of an Account from one Post Office to other Post Office. **(SB Order 3 & 4/2020)**
2. Transfer of Account will be done at HO only where Account stands or in case Account stands at a Sub Office, Account will be transferred by the HO in whose jurisdiction this Sub Office is working.
3. If an Application for Transfer of an Account is given to any other SO or HO, Application of Transfer along with documents will be sent to SO or HO where Account stands (Home SOL) in a service insured Cover and details of such Applications will be entered into Manual Register. This office after necessary formalities in the system will send all concerned original documents to the Office where Account is intended to be transferred. **(GSPR 2018, Rule13)**

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Premature closure of Account

An Account can not be closed prematurely except under the following Conditions:

- A. On the death of the Account Holder in single Account or Holders in Joint Account.
- B. On forfeiture of an account by Pledgee (Gazetted Officer)
- C. When ordered by Court

Considering the above Three conditions,

1. If an Account is closed before the expiry of One Year, only Principal Amount will be payable.
2. If an Account is closed after one year but before the expiry of three Years from the date of opening of the Account, Amount Payable will be principal amount and interest at the rate of Post Office Savings Account rate.
3. If an Account is closed after Three Years from the date of Opening of Account, follow the Table prepared **(GSR 919 (E) Para 5 (3) dated 12.12.2019)**



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Miscellaneous Points

1. Fees for Duplicate Passbook will be Rs. 50 + GST **(SB Order 3&4/2020)**
2. Fees for Issue of Statement of Account Rs. 20 + GST **(SB Order 3&4/2020)**
3. Fees for Issue of Passbook in lieu of Mutilated certificate will be Rs. 10 per Registration + GST **(SB Order 3&4/2020)**
4. Maturity Amount payable to Account Holder can be:
 - A. transferred to his Savings bank Account
 - B. paid by a crossed Cheque
 - C. paid in cash if Amount is below Rs. 20,000/-
5. An Account which is matured but not closed, Eligible Balance in an Account shall continue to earn Interest at Post Office Savings Account Rate till the Account is closed.



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