

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQS)

Rajasthan Homestay (Paying Guest House) Scheme 2026

GENERAL QUESTIONS:

Q-1. What is this Scheme about?

Ans: The Rajasthan Homestay (Paying Guest House) Scheme, 2026 aims at encouraging house owners to offer quality accommodation facilities to domestic and international tourists in a safe, hygienic, and culturally immersive environment. The scheme provides a framework for registration, classification, operation, and promotion of homestays across Rajasthan.

Q-2. What benefit is available under the Rajasthan Homestay (Paying Guest House) Scheme 2026?

Ans: A residential premises that can offer accommodation facilities to the tourists can be registered under Rajasthan Homestay (Paying Guest House) Scheme 2026 as a Homestay (Paying Guest House). Any change of land use of residential premises to commercial/ industrial/ tourism purpose, etc is not required.

Q-3. What are the minimum and maximum rooms allowed to be let out under the Homestay scheme?

Ans: Minimum 01 room and maximum 08 rooms (not exceeding 24 beds) are allowed to be let out in the Homestay.

Q-4. Who can apply under the scheme?

Ans: The owner or registered lessee (with lease period more than three years) of the residential premises can apply under the Scheme. The lease document should be registered as per norms.

Q-5. Is it compulsory for the owner/ lessee to live/stay in the Homestay (Paying Guest House) during operations?

Ans: No, owner or lessee of the Homestay is not required to live/stay in the Homestay. The owner/ lessee may appoint a caretaker for operations of the Homestay.

Q-6. Is a property other than residence eligible to register as Homestay under the scheme?

Ans: Only residential premises are eligible for registration as Homestay under the scheme.

Q-7. Where the application should be submitted?

Ans: The application shall be submitted online through the Rajasthan Single Sign-On (SSO) Portal. Applicants may log in to the SSO Portal and apply under the Homestay Registration service by visiting <https://sso.rajasthan.gov.in/signin>. No physical submission of the application

to the field officer of Tourism Department i.e. Tourist Reception Centre (TRC) or Tourist Information Bureau (TIB) is required.

Q-8. What is the registration and renewal fee under the scheme?

Ans: The registration and renewal fee for Rajasthan Homestay (Paying Guest House) is ₹1000 for Silver category and ₹2000 for Gold category. The application fee shall be non-refundable.

Q-9. When the Temporary Registration Certificate issued and what is its validity period?

Ans: After submission of all requisite documents, the temporary registration certificate (Form-B) is issued by the Tourist Reception Centre (TRC)/Tourist Information Bureau (TIB) within 7 working days of receipt of complete application. The certificate remains valid for six months and allows the applicant to commence homestay operations during this period. The applicant shall complete all prescribed compliances and requirements as per the scheme within the period of temporary registration.

Q-10. Is inspection compulsory before issuing Registration certificate?

Ans: Yes, after issuance of the temporary Registration certificate inspection of the premises is mandatory before issuing the Registration certificate. The prescribed authorities shall verify all facilities prescribed in the scheme within 3 months from the date of issue of temporary registration and shall convey the deficiencies if any to the applicant within 7 days.

Q-11. When is Registration certificate issued?

Ans: The registration certificate in Form-C is to be issued after successful inspection and compliance of the deficiencies.

Q-12. What is the validity of permanent registration?

Ans: The registration certificate remains valid for two years from the date of issue. Renewal application is also required to be submitted online within three to one month before expiry of validity. The renewal shall also be valid for two years.

Q-13. When may the registration be cancelled? Is there any provision for appeal against such cancellation or rejection of application?

Ans: Yes, the registration may be cancelled if the homestay fails to comply with the prescribed norms and conditions. In case of rejection of an application or cancellation of registration, the applicant may file an appeal within thirty (30) days from the date of the rejection order. The appeal shall be decided by the Commissioner/Director, Department of Tourism, whose decision shall be final.

Q-14. Is guest record maintenance compulsory?

Ans: Yes, guest details must be maintained in Form-E enclosed with guidelines and also to be maintained as per the applicable laws.

Q-15. Are monthly statistics required under the scheme?

Ans: Yes, details of monthly tourist statistics in the homestay must be submitted to the concerned Tourist Reception Centre (TRC) or Tourist Information Bureau (TIB) by the 5th day of the following month.

Q-16. Should ownership or management changes be informed?

Ans: Yes, any change in ownership or lessee or caretaker should be immediately informed to the concerned Tourist Reception Centre (TRC) or Tourist Information Bureau (TIB).

Q-17. Is a Homestay required to comply with Government Rules & Regulation?

Ans: Yes. Every registered Homestay shall comply with all applicable Acts, rules, regulations, guidelines, orders, and other statutory requirements issued by the Government, and the competent authorities from time to time.