

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT
DEPARTMENT OF EMPOWERMENT OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (DIVYANGJAN)
RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1243
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.12.2021

PRE-MATRIC SCHOLATSHIPS FOR THE DISABLED

1243. DR. V. SIVADASAN:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of applications received by Government under pre-matric scholarship for the disabled, year-wise and state-wise, during the last five years;
- (b) whether it is a fact that quota for Kerala regarding the same is fixed, if so, details thereof; and
- (c) whether Government intends to increase the scholarship quota for Kerala, if so, by when it is going to be increased, if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

(SUSHRI PRATIMA BHOUMIK)

(a) As per the data available on National Scholarship Portal, the number of applications received by the Government under Pre-matric scholarship for students with disabilities (SwDs), year-wise and state-wise, during the last five years is given in Annexure-I.

(b) and (c) The total scholarship slots are distributed amongst States and Union Territories of India on the basis of percentage of population of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) of that State/Union Territory in comparison to the total population of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) in India as per Census 2011 data. The Pre-matric Scholarship slots allocated to Kerala are 568. At present, there is no proposal to increase the scholarship slots for any State, including Kerala. However, in case, the number of scholarship slots allocated to a particular State/UT are not fully utilized, due to non-availability of eligible candidates, the unutilized slots are allocated to States/UTs where the number of eligible candidates is more than the slots allocated.

ANNEXURE-I

Annexure referred to reply to Part (a) of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1243 raised by Dr. V. Sivadasan regarding "Pre-matric scholarships for the disabled" for answer on 08.12.2021.

State-wise and year wise number of applications received under Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme for Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) during the last five years

S. No.	State/UTs	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
1	ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR	6	0	0	0	52
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	88	47	23	285	4
3	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	4	5	0	0	19
4	ASSAM	25	0	71	107	582
5	BIHAR	72	71	33	368	379
6	CHANDIGARH	3	1	10	0	17
7	CHHATISGARH	356	73	164	22	40
8	DADRA AND NAGAR HAVELI	1	0	0	7	8
9	DAMAN AND DIU	4	0	6	0	
10	DELHI	14	19	7	76	48
11	GOA	0	1	10	19	12
12	GUJARAT	233	158	160	88	125
13	HARYANA	3	87	63	10	38
14	HIMACHAL PRADESH	72	74	46	50	77
15	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	21	204	0	139	191
16	JHARKHAND	1	34	62	52	11
17	KARNATAKA	1962	435	185	157	31
18	KERALA	1239	1316	1782	984	3011
19	LAKSHAWEEP	0	0	1	0	0
20	LADAKH	0	0	0	0	0
21	MADHYA PRADESH	6313	3170	1517	1451	2571
22	MAHARASHTRA	4	0	0	0	0
23	MANIPUR	4	1	4	4	10
24	MEGHALAYA	16	9	6	1	3
25	MIZORAM	18	19	32	2	3
26	NAGALAND	1	3	0	12	34
27	ODISHA	995	861	532	887	656
28	PUDUCHERRY	2	14	10	7	25
29	PUNJAB	49	156	277	242	943
30	RAJASTHAN	157	216	171	246	163
31	SIKKIM	47	3	0	2	2
32	TAMILNADU	516	380	639	701	615
33	TELANGANA	21	50	20	22	0
34	TRIPURA	132	49	26	26	30
35	UTTRAKHAND	7	75	75	174	23
36	UTTAR PRADESH	531	1526	5987	7484	2393
37	WEST BENGAL	395	891	2032	205	21
	TOTAL	13312	9948	13951	13830	12137