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ANSWERED ON 01/08/2024

WISE-KIRAN SCHEME

1255 # SHRI ADITYA PRASAD:

Will the Minister of Science and Technology be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the WISE-KIRAN Scheme, which aims to encourage women in the field of science and engineering through gender-enabled programmes, is fulfilling its unique objective of providing opportunities to women scientists and engineers, especially those who had break in their careers;
- (b) if so, the relevant details of rural and urban women beneficiaries under the said scheme in the last five financial years, State-wise; and
- (c) the amount spent on the WISE-KIRAN Scheme in the State of Jharkhand during the last five years, year-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY & EARTH SCIENCES (DR. JITENDRA SINGH)

- (a) Yes Sir. The Women in Science and Engineering-KIRAN (WISE-KIRAN) Scheme is fulfilling its unique objective of providing opportunities to women scientists and engineers up to 62 years of age, including those who had break in their careers through various fellowship programmes *viz*. WISE Fellowship for Ph.D. (WISE-PhD), WISE Post-Doctoral Fellowship (WISE-PDF), WISE-Societal Challenges with Opportunities (WISE-SCOPE), WIDUSHI and WISE Internship in IPR (WISE-IPR).
- (b) About 1690 women scientists including both rural and urban have benefitted under the WISE-KIRAN scheme in the last five financial years. The State/UT-wise details of women beneficiaries under this scheme are mentioned below:

Sl. No.	States/UTs	Women beneficiaries under WISE-KIRAN (since 2019-20)
1.	Andaman & Nicobar	1
2.	Andhra Pradesh	33
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	3
4.	Assam	34
5.	Bihar	10
6.	Chandigarh	33
7.	Chhattisgarh	12

8.	Delhi	190
9.	Goa	8
10.	Gujarat	39
11.	Haryana	46
12.	Himachal Pradesh	16
13.	Jammu & Kashmir	40
14.	Jharkhand	12
15.	Karnataka	109
16.	Kerala	110
17.	Ladakh	1
18.	Madhya Pradesh	42
19.	Maharashtra	180
20.	Manipur	14
21.	Meghalaya	1
22.	Mizoram	6
23.	Nagaland	5
24.	Odisha	26
25.	Puducherry	7
26.	Punjab	51
27.	Rajasthan	42
28.	Sikkim	1
29.	Tamil Nadu	162
30.	Telangana	93
31.	Tripura	4
32.	Uttar Pradesh	177
33.	Uttarakhand	43
34.	West Bengal	139
	TOTAL	1690

(c) A total amount of Rs. 1.98 crores was spent on the WISE-KIRAN Scheme in the State of Jharkhand during the last five years. The year-wise details are:

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Amount spent (in Rs.)
1.	2019-20	48,51,840/-
2.	2020-21	33,10,000/-
3.	2021-22	37,95,611/-
4.	2022-23	47,78,949/-
5.	2023-24	18,75,227/-
6.	2024-25	12,00,000/-
	TOTAL	1,98,11,627/-
