

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT  
RAJYA SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION NO -182  
ANSWERED ON – 06/08/2025**

**STATUS OF NFOBC**

182. SHRI JAVED ALI KHAN

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

(a) whether scheme for National Fellowship for Other Backward Classes (NFOBC) funded by the Ministry has been discontinued;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) if not, the details of said fellowship granted to students during the last three years and the current year till date alongwith the total amount of fellowship disbursed, year-wise and State-wise; and

(d) the details of dates for inviting application for NFOBC during last three years and the current year, year-wise?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

(DR.VIRENDRA KUMAR)

(a) to (d) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO THE PART (A) TO (D) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 182 TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.08.2025 REGARDING STATUS OF NFOBC ASKED BY SHRI JAVED ALI KHAN.**

(a): The Ministry has been implementing the National Fellowship for Other Backward Classes (NFOBC) scheme continuously since the year 2014-15.

(b): In view of the above (a), the question does not arise.

(c): The details of the fellowships awarded to students during the last three years and the current year, along with the total amount disbursed, year-wise and State-wise, are given in **Annexure-I**.

(d): Under the NFOBC scheme, the Department uses the merit list issued by the National Testing Agency (NTA) based on the University Grants Commission–National Eligibility Test (UGC-NET) and the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research–National Eligibility Test (CSIR-NET). Eligible students can apply on the Scholarship and Fellowship Management Portal run by the Department within three years from the date of issue of the award letter. The portal remains open across the year.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN THE STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PART (c) IN RESPECT OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 182 FOR REPLY ON 06.08.2025 REGARDING STATUS OF NFOBC ASKED BY SHRI JAVED ALI KHAN

**States/UTs wise no. of scholars and amount disbursement under NFOBC Scheme**

Sl. No.	State/UT	2022-23		2023-24		2024-25		2025-26	
		Total Scholars	Total Amount Disbursed (Rs. In Lakhs)	Total Scholars	Total Amount Disbursed (Rs. In Lakhs)	Total Scholars	Total Amount Disbursed (Rs. In Lakhs)	Total Scholars	Total Amount Disbursed (Rs. In Lakhs)
1	ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS	0	0.00	1	2.99	2	10.60	1	1.48
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	45	159.22	48	193.31	36	184.09	23	61.04
3	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	3	9.95	3	11.71	2	11.84	1	1.33
4	ASSAM	78	262.72	91	296.56	79	441.85	54	105.05
5	BIHAR	97	347.57	136	580.58	134	768.27	103	211.21
6	CHANDIGARH	1	3.40	2	11.32	2	13.33	2	6.43
7	CHHATISGARH	20	61.42	21	89.66	19	101.01	14	23.11
8	DADAR AND NAGAR HAVELI AND DAMAN & DIU	0	0.00	1	2.23	1	6.21	1	1.74
9	DELHI	69	254.28	119	565.83	128	719.31	92	223.59
10	GOA	9	24.58	7	31.09	6	27.97	4	7.02
11	GUJARAT	35	121.95	34	115.14	27	135.68	19	37.88
12	HARYANA	78	242.91	105	514.74	111	630.88	88	174.79
13	HIMACHAL PRADESH	8	22.85	13	46.84	11	62.61	10	17.11
14	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	20	67.09	26	113.30	27	159.45	17	27.61
15	JHARKHAND	42	153.84	40	163.20	45	237.85	31	61.03
16	KARNATAKA	36	120.68	42	190.02	47	295.48	31	52.12
17	KERALA	120	402.32	166	792.74	196	1248.38	159	299.07
18	LADAKH	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
19	LAKSHADWEEP	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
20	MADHYA PRADESH	48	166.50	61	260.89	67	377.78	46	97.35
21	MAHARASHTRA	56	177.74	51	221.29	39	203.41	29	58.45
22	MANIPUR	31	105.68	41	184.00	43	227.39	34	75.20
23	MEGHALAYA	0	0.00	0	0.00	1	8.81	1	1.31
24	MIZORAM	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
25	NAGALAND	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
26	ODISHA	70	221.38	71	312.19	72	394.00	48	95.26
27	PUDUCHERRY	10	30.61	11	53.24	14	82.59	11	26.13
28	PUNJAB	25	73.93	29	129.79	31	168.92	26	57.70
29	RAJASTHAN	96	298.81	111	482.94	118	663.60	87	152.19
30	SIKKIM	6	22.20	8	23.45	2	8.31	0	0.00
31	TAMIL NADU	68	212.42	78	384.41	92	583.32	77	175.42
32	TELANGANA	39	107.12	52	234.05	58	331.44	39	76.10
33	TRIPURA	7	20.72	7	24.38	3	16.89	3	6.82
34	UTTARAKHAND	14	43.95	21	83.20	21	132.83	17	36.75
35	UTTAR PRADESH	325	1055.60	454	2051.90	597	3657.41	496	969.65
36	WEST BENGAL	114	349.76	159	774.57	166	1009.94	146	287.36
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1570</b>	<b>5141.21</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>8941.57</b>	<b>2197</b>	<b>12921.44</b>	<b>1710</b>	<b>3427.31</b>