

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

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**Impact of fee hike**

**1171 # Shri Ramji Lal Suman:**

Will the Minister of *Education* be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the fees increased during the last five years in the Universities of the country including Delhi University for undergraduate, postgraduate and certificate courses, course-wise;
- (b) whether girls also have to pay the same amount of fees as per the fee hike; and
- (c) whether any study has been conducted on the impact of fee hike on the education of the poor children?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION  
(DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR)**

(a) to (c) Central Universities, including Delhi University, are statutory autonomous organisations established under the respective Central Acts of Parliament and governed by the provisions of the Acts and Statutes, Ordinances made thereunder. The Universities are competent to take administrative and academic decisions including fee structure for both boys and girls with the approval of its statutory bodies such as Executive Council, Academic Council, Finance Committee and Court etc. The data regarding fee charged by the Central Universities is maintained at institution level. The Government is implementing different scholarship schemes for providing financial assistance to all categories of students subject to extant scheme guidelines. In the academic year 2023-24, nearly one crore scholarships have been provided to the students of higher education. Further, the PM Vidyaxmi, a new central sector scheme has been launched on 6th November 2024. The main objective of the scheme is to ensure that no student is denied the opportunity to pursue higher education due to financial constraints. Under the scheme, collateral-free and guarantor-free education loan is provided to all the students who get merit-based admission in top Quality Higher Education Institutions (QHEIs) and who desire to avail the education loan.

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