GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED OUESTION NO -1244

ANSWERED ON - 10/12/2025

NATIONAL OVERSEAS SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SC STUDENTS

1244. SHRI S SELVAGANABATHY

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

- (a) the number of students who have been granted National Overseas Scholarships (NOS) to SC students during the last five years;
- (b) the number of women students who have claimed the said overseas scholarship;
- (c) whether Government would consider to increase the number of awards per year quantifying the available students under the scheme; and
- (d) whether Government will increase the financial assistance extended under the scheme if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI RAMDAS ATHAWALE)

- (a) & (b) During the last five years, 600 students have been awarded National Overseas Scholarship, out of these 133 are women students.
- (c) & (d) The National Overseas Scholarship scheme has been approved for the period from 2021-22 to 2025-26. The extension of the scheme for next financial cycle is under review and consideration.
