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MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

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Scholarships and assistance provided by the Ministry

3714 **Dr. V. Sivadasan:**

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

- (a) the number of new beneficiaries added each year during the last five years, scheme-wise, for Central Sector Scheme of Scholarship for College and University Students, National Means-cum-Merit Scholarship Scheme, Prime Minister's Special Scholarship Scheme for Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh, Central Sector Interest Subsidy Scheme for Education Loans and PM Vidyalaxmi Education Loan Scheme;
- (b) the total funds allocated, released and actually spent under each of the above schemes during the last five years, year-wise; and
- (c) the amount of funds that remained unspent or lapsed, scheme-wise, during the same period?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

(DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR)

(a) to (c): The Ministry of Education is implementing Pradhan Mantri Uchchatar Shiksha Protsahan (PM-USP) Yojana, comprising of three (03) component schemes, namely: (i) Central Sector Scheme of Scholarship for College and University Students, (ii) Special Scholarship Scheme for Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh, and (iii) Central Sector Interest Subsidy Scheme; National Means-cum-Merit Scholarship Scheme and PM Vidyalaxmi scheme. The details regarding the number of Fresh beneficiaries; and the total funds allocated and released under the schemes during the last five years, year-wise; may be accessed at https://www.education.gov.in/parl_ques.
