

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3086  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.12.2016

**Fellowship Amount to Scholars**

3086. SHRI R. PARTHIPAN:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is planning to increase the fellowship amount to encourage research scholars in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether it would attract more students into research activities and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the existing system of Junior Research Fellowship, Senior Fellowship and Post Doctoral Fellowship is meagre to satisfy the research requirements of the scholars; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT  
(Dr. MAHENDRA NATH PANDEY)

(a) & (b): No, Madam. There is no proposal under consideration by University Grants Commission (UGC) to increase the fellowship amount as it has already enhanced the UGC fellowships/scholarships by 55% with effect from 01.12.2014. Revised rates of Fellowships/Scholarships amount for the scholars under various schemes are available at [http://www.ugc.ac.in/pdfnews/6042860\\_Revised-rates-of-Fellowships.pdf](http://www.ugc.ac.in/pdfnews/6042860_Revised-rates-of-Fellowships.pdf)

(c) & (d): No, Madam. The emoluments under various fellowship schemes implemented by UGC are revised on the basis of guidelines issued by Department of Science and Technology (DST) from time to time. The amounts of Junior Research Fellowship, Senior Fellowship and Post Doctoral Fellowship were revised with effect from 01.12.2014 on the basis of DST Office Memorandum no. SR/S9/Z-09/2012 dated October 21, 2014.

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