

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.752**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.11.2016

**National Means-Cum-Merit Scholarship Scheme (NMMSS)**

752. KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE:  
SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

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

- (a) the amount allocated by the Government to the National Means-cum-Merit Scholarship Scheme (NMMSS) during the last three years and the current financial year;
- (b) the number of beneficiaries under the said scholarship; and
- (c) whether the Government has disbursed all scholarship and if so, the details thereof and if not, the details and the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**  
**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT**  
**(SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA)**

- (a) The amount allocated for the National Means-cum-Merit Scholarship Scheme (NMMSS) during 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 was Rs. 95 crore, Rs. 70 crore and Rs. 131.50 crore respectively. For the current financial year 2016-17, BE is Rs. 35 crore.
- (b) During the current financial year 2016-17, the estimated number of beneficiaries under NMMSS Scheme is 2,30,199.
- (c) Out of 3,37,893 NMMSS scholarships due for disbursement in 2015-16, only 2,10,012 scholarships could be sanctioned during 2015-16, thus leaving 1,27,881 scholarships pending for sanction due to non-availability of funds.

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