

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1253
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.07.2017

Scholarships to Students

1253. SHRI DIBYENDU ADHIKARI:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to offer scholarships to meritorious students of North-Eastern States applying for colleges in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is aware that University of Delhi has taken initiative to support such students from Islands and North-East; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to encourage students from remote areas through special support to pursue higher education?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): The University Grants Commission (UGC) has informed that it has been implementing the scheme of "ISHAN UDAY" special scholarship scheme for North-Eastern States since 2014 for providing financial assistance to 10,000 selected candidates for pursuing General Degree Course/Technical and Professional Courses including Medical and Para Medical Courses in Universities/Colleges/Institutions recognised by UGC under section 2(f) & 12(B) of the UGC Act, 1956. Details of the scheme are available at <http://www.ugc.ac.in/ner/>.

(c) & (d): The University of Delhi has intimated that, this year, it has convened separate entrance examinations in Guwahati for admission of students belonging to North-East Region into the University's Post Graduate, M.Phil, Ph.D and a few selected Under-Graduate courses. Further, Delhi University has extended a special hostel facility for girl students of North-East Region.
