

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2107
TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.01.2018**

Scholarship to Students

2107. SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

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

- (a) whether the Government is providing scholarships to students getting admissions to study at masters or doctorate level Abroad;
- (b) If so, the details thereof along with the name of the scholarships and complete details thereof, country-wise, including UK and US; and
- (c) If not, whether the Government proposes to formulate any Central scheme/legislation for providing financial assistance to such Indian students and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(DR. SATYA PAL SINGH)**

(a) to (c) Government scholarships for students to study at Masters or Doctorate level abroad, are as follows:-

1. National Overseas Scholarship for Scheduled Tribe Students: The scheme is implemented by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs. Under the scheme, financial assistance is provided to meritorious Scheduled Tribe students for pursuing Master level courses, Ph.D. and Post-Doctoral Research Programmes in foreign universities in the field of Engineering, Technology and Science. The family income ceiling of the candidates/parents is ₹ 6.00 lac per annum.

2. National Overseas Scholarship for Scheduled Caste students: The scheme is implemented by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment. Under the scheme, financial assistance is provided for pursuing Master level course and Ph.D. in foreign universities in the field of Pure and Applied Sciences, Social Science, Agricultural Science etc. The family income ceiling of the candidates/parents is ₹ 6.00 lac per annum.

3. Dr. Ambedkar Scheme of Interest Subsidy on Educational Loan for Overseas Studies for the Students belonging to the Other Backward Classes (OBCs) and Economically Backward Classes (EBCs): The scheme is implemented by Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment. The objective of the scheme is to provide interest subsidy to meritorious OBC and EBC students so as to provide them opportunities to pursue higher education abroad in the field of Arts, Engineering, Medical and Agriculture. The income ceiling is ₹ 3 lakh per annum for OBCs and ₹ 1 lakh for EBCs. 50% of the outlay is earmarked to girl students.

4. Padho Pardesh:- The Ministry of Minority Affairs is implementing the scheme wherein interest subsidy is provided to minority students to pursue Master's Level Courses, M.Phil and Ph.D. in foreign universities in the field of Arts, Engineering, Agriculture and Medical. The family income ceiling of the candidates/parents is ₹ 6.00 lakh per annum.

5. Overseas Doctoral Fellowship Programme:- The scheme is implemented by Science and Engineering Research Board, a statutory body of Department of Science and Technology. The objective of the scheme is to build national capacity where the talent supply of researchers in areas of interest to the country is sub-critical. The selected fellow is provided US \$ 2,000 per month for a duration of 4 years for undertaking the doctoral research program in Science, Technology, Engineering and Medicine from overseas top ranking universities.
