GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT DEPARTMENT OF EMPOWERMENT OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 487 TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.12.2017

Non-disbursement of Scholarship to Handicapped Students

487. SHRI NAGAR RODMAL: SHRI OM PRAKASH YADAV:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- a) the problems faced due to the failure of pre-matric scholarship scheme in Bihar till date;
- b) the action taken by the Government thereon; and
- c) the steps taken by the Government on non-disbursement of scholarship amount of Rs. 46 thousand to the handicapped students?

ANSWER MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT (SHRI KRISHANPAL GURJAR)

(a) & (b): Under the Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme for Students with Disabilities in the State of Bihar, scholarships released till date are as under:

year	Applications received	Applications verified by state Govt.	Scholarships released based on valid document	Amount Released (Amount in Rupees)
2014-15	0	0	0	Ò
2015-16	14	9	8	63,300/-
2016-17	142	72	52	3,65,200/-

There is no scholarship proposal pending from the State of Bihar for payment under Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme.

For increasing popularity of Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme, the Government has taken the following steps:

- i. Given advertisements in leading newspapers all over the country.
- ii. Nodal officer has been appointed in the concerned Department of the Govt. of Bihar for facilitation and coordination relating to Scholarship Scheme for Students with Disabilities.
- (c) No scholarship amount of Rs. 46 thousand is pending for disbursement in the State of Bihar.
