

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS  
(DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS)**

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2071  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08-03-2018**

**National Service Scheme**

**2071. DR. RAMESH POKHRIYAL “NISHANK”:**

**Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:**

- (a) The number of National Service Scheme (NSS) units operational in the country along with the number of students involved therein, State/ UT-wise;**
- (b) The steps taken/being taken to make the NSS more effective;**
- (c) The total amount spent on NSS during each of the last three years and the current year;**
- (d) Whether any assistance is taken from other Ministries and Public Undertaking etc. for making the NSS more effective and if so, the details thereof;**
- (e) Whether any efforts are being made to involve the NSS with other initiatives such as Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, Skill Development Programme, Afforestation and Entrepreneurship Development Programme, etc.; and**
- (f) If so, the details thereof ?**

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)  
FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS  
(COL. RAJYAVARDHAN RATHORE(RETD.))**

- (a) The number of National Service Scheme (NSS) Units operational in the country along with the number of students/volunteers involved is given at Annexure-A.**

**(b)The Government has taken initiatives to enhance the effectiveness of implementation of NSS, including measures taken for close monitoring of the Programme and for improving its effectiveness. Some of these are as follows:**

- i. Timely release of grants/ funds to the States/ UTs for NSS activities.**
- ii. Training/ Capacity Building of NSS Programme Officers for effective implementation of NSS programmes.**
- iii. Close monitoring of the ongoing programmes/ activities of NSS through the network of NSS Regional Centres and State NSS Cells.**
- iv. In order to bring more transparency in the Government fund flow, registration on Public Financial Management System (PFMS) and Expenditure Advanced Transfer (EAT) module has been made mandatory for incurring financial expenditure up to the end user**
- v. Regular Meetings of NSS Advisory Committees at various levels, for effective implementation of NSS programmes and for removing bottlenecks, if any.**

**(c)The total amount spent on NSS during each of the last three years and the current year is given below:**

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Total amount spent on NSS (Rs in Crores)</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b>2014-15</b>	<b>88.46</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>93.51</b>
<b>3.</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>130.62</b>
<b>4.</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>121.16 (as on 28.02.2018)</b>

**(d) At present there is no provision for taking financial assistance from other Ministries and PSUs for NSS activities.**

**(e) & (f) The Government has made conscious efforts for effectively connecting NSS to other government programmes. NSS has been very proactively involved in various flagship programmes of the Government. NSS volunteers have been actively involved in various programmes of other Ministries viz., Swatchh Bharat Mission, Digital India, Yoga Programmes, Sugamya Bharat Abhiyan, Beti Bachao Beti Padhao, Saansad Adarsh Gram Yojana, etc.**

**ANNEXURE- A****ANNEXURE-A REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2071 FOR 08.03.2018 REGARDING NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME**

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Name of the State/UT</b>	<b>No. of Units</b>	<b>No. of NSS volunteers</b>
1.	A & N Islands	16	1600
2.	Andhra Pradesh	2095	209500
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	143	14300
4.	Assam	470	46994
5.	Bihar	578	57800
6.	Chandigarh	180	17816
7.	Chhattisgarh	958	95800
8.	D & N Haveli	16	1600
9.	Daman and Diu	12	1270
10.	Delhi	586	70000
11.	Goa	310	31055
12.	Gujarat	1847	184700
13.	Haryana	1051	122600
14.	Himachal Pradesh	870	87074
15.	J & K	385	39000
16.	Jharkhand	578	57800
17.	Karnataka	3011	278200
18.	Kerala	1828	267666
19.	Lakshadweep	14	1161
20.	Madhya Pradesh	1616	161600
21.	Maharashtra	3526	352590
22.	Manipur	210	20950
23.	Meghalaya	375	37450
24.	Mizoram	361	36100
25.	Nagaland	114	11400
26.	Odisha	1095	109500
27.	Puducherry	191	19100
28.	Punjab	136	123604
29.	Rajasthan	1959	195500
30.	Sikkim	165	16500
31.	Tamil Nadu	4242	424200
32.	Telangana	1462	146200
33.	Tripura	334	32780
34.	Uttar Pradesh	2990	299030
35.	Uttarakhand	615	61500
36.	West Bengal	70	7020
<b>Total</b>		<b>34409</b>	<b>3640960</b>

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