

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

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5594
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.04.2018**

National Talent Search Scheme

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

- (a) whether the Government identifies and recognises students with high intellect and academic talent and provides scholarships under the National Talent Search (NTS) scheme in the country during the last four years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/ UT-wise; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c) National Science Talent Search Scheme (NSTSS) was launched in the year 1963, which provided for the identification of talented students and awarding them with scholarship. It was renamed as National Talent Search Scheme (NTSS) in the year 1976. The scheme is implemented through the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT). Students who are studying in Class X in any recognized school in the country are eligible to appear in the NTS examination. Every year about 1000 scholarships are awarded. In order to identify the 1000 talented students across the country, the National Talent Search Scheme (NTSS) examination is held every year in a two tier process. NTS Stage-I is conducted by States and Union Territories. The Stage-II examination at National level is conducted by NCERT on the basis of the results of the Stage-I Examination.

The details of NTSE Scholarships awarded during the last four years are as under:

S. No.	State/UT	2014	2015	2016	2017
1	Arunachal Pradesh	2	0	1	1
2	Assam	7	1	5	3
3	Manipur	1	0	0	0
4	Meghalaya	0	0	0	0
5	Mizoram	2	0	1	0

6	Nagaland	0	0	0	1
7	Sikkim	0	0	0	0
8	Tripura	2	1	0	1
9	Andaman & Nicobar Is.	1	0	0	0
10	Bihar	30	11	27	27
11	Jharkhand	13	23	24	21
12	Odisha	45	46	59	59
13	West Bengal	15	22	40	57
14	Chandigarh	8	11	9	7
15	Delhi	35	52	62	64
16	Jammu & Kashmir	4	0	3	4
17	Haryana	44	42	51	47
18	Himachal Pradesh	9	6	5	4
19	Punjab	30	36	54	47
20	Rajasthan	88	137	137	126
21	Uttar Pradesh	87	72	102	75
22	Uttarakhand	2	10	7	4
23	Chhattisgarh	18	18	22	21
24	Daman & Diu	0	0	0	0
25	Dadar and Nagar Haveli	0	0	0	0
26	Goa	5	0	2	2
27	Gujarat	8	21	26	28
28	Madhya Pradesh	66	57	68	65
29	Maharashtra	112	103	74	96
30	Andhra Pradesh	48	12	23	1
31	Karnataka	76	66	55	65
32	Kerala	45	32	23	17
33	Lakshadweep	0	0	0	0
34	Puducherry	0	0	0	0
35	Tamil Nadu	41	39	65	66
36	Telangana	0	37	30	12
37	Abroad	0	2	1	1
	Total	844	857	976	922
