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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 149 TO BE ANSWERED ON 4th FEBRUARY, 2019

Enhancement in Scholarship

149. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

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

- (a) whether the Government is planning to enhance the amount of various fellowships and scholarships being granted by the Ministry to research fellows and scholars associated with various institutions in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has received any representation demanding a hike in the amounts of fellowships and scholarships being granted by the Ministry;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken by the Government to meet the demands in this regard;
- (e) whether the Government has taken note of the protests and campaigns organized by various associations of the research fellows and scholars on the issue of hike in the amount of fellowships and scholarships; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereon?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (f) The Government had received representations from researchers, demanding hike in the fellowship amount.

The fellowship amount for Ph.D and Post Doctoral studies have been increased by 55% with effect from 1.12.2014 and further enhanced by 25-35% from 1.1.2019, benefitting around 60,000 research fellows and scholars. Enhancement in the fellowship amount has been the highest in these 5 years.
