Government of India Ministry of Finance

Department of Economic Affairs

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1705 TO BE ANSWERED ON MONDAY JULY 31, 2023/ Sravana 9, 1945 (Saka) MAHILA SAMMAN SAVINGS

No.1705

SHRI THIRUNAVUKKARASAR SU. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH BITTU

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:-

- (a) total number of deposits so far made under Mahila Samman Savings Certificate Scheme including number of depositors and the amount deposited therein, State-wise including Punjab;
- (b) the salient features of the scheme along with comparison to similar schemes available to the girlchild and women:
- (c) whether the said scheme can be also operated in banks and financial institutions etc. and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) whether the Government intends to extend the validity of the scheme to benefit the women population of the country and if so, the details thereof??

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE

(SHRI PANKAJ CHAUDHARY)

- (a) The State-wise details of total deposits made and account opened under Mahila Samman Savings Certificate Scheme (MSSC) is attached as 'Annexure'.
- (b) This is newly launched small savings scheme of the Government to commemorate the Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav and is exclusively for women and girls in India. Some of the salient features of the schemes include:
 - (i) MSSC account may be opened by women of any age group including the girl child with a minimum deposit of ₹1000/- and maximum deposit of ₹2 Lakhs for a period of two years.
 - (ii) The interest rate for MSSC is 7.5% p.a. which is compounded quarterly.
 - (iii) The facility of partial withdrawal and premature closure on compassionate grounds are also available under this Scheme.
- (c) & (d) Government of India has authorized Department of Posts, all Public Sector Banks and four Private Sector Banks to operate MSSC.
- (e) Mahila Samman Savings Certificate Scheme has been made available for a two-year period up to March 2025. An application for opening an account can be submitted on or before the 31st March, 2025.

Annexure

Statement Showing number of accounts opened and amount deposited under Mahila Samman Savings Certificate

Savings Certificate			
S.No.	Name Of The State	Number of accounts opened	Amount deposited (₹ in crore)
1	Andaman And Nicobar Islands	164	2.09
2	Andhra Pradesh	121734	390.49
3	Arunachal Pradesh	318	4.35
4	Assam	26372	173.03
5	Bihar	7482	83.77
6	Chandigarh	2390	25.81
7	Chhattisgarh	18700	147.97
8	Delhi	29253	327.82
9	Goa	2786	28.54
10	Gujarat	65933	592.37
11	Haryana	9247	109.73
12	Himachal Pradesh	54649	406.10
13	Jammu And Kashmir	6218	60.50
14	Jharkhand	8391	72.86
15	Karnataka	105134	639.46
16	Kerala	44889	258.79
17	Ladakh	145	1.67
18	Lakshadweep	44	0.13
19	Madhya Pradesh	49680	404.72
20	Maharashtra	296771	1559.53
21	Manipur	39	0.30
22	Meghalaya	529	5.67
23	Mizoram	1172	4.11
24	Nagaland	151	1.67
25	Odisha	56630	388.08
26	Puducherry	4056	20.52
27	Punjab	12998	139.33
28	Rajasthan	96219	463.81
29	Sikkim	305	4.10
30	Tamil Nadu	255125	977.22
31	Telangana	66738	188.90
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32	Daman And Diu	330	4.59
33	Tripura	4358	29.23
34	Uttar Pradesh	45826	423.57
35	Uttarakhand	12884	149.33
36	West Bengal	76320	539.87
TOTAL		1483980	8630.00
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Note: Axis Bank, Bank of Maharashtra, HDFC Bank, ICICI Bank, IDBI Bank have not yet started the Mahilla Samman Savings Certificate Scheme.