GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2773 ANSWERED ON 07.08.2023

SakshamYojana

†2773.SHRIMATI JASKAUR MEENA:

Will the Minister of **Education** be pleased to state:

- (a) the salient features of SakshamYojana;
- (b) the details of the estimated funds under the said scheme;
- (c) the number of the States across the country where the said scheme is likely to be implemented;
- (d) the details of the target fixed under the said scheme;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to cover Rajasthan under the said scheme; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and time by which Rajasthan is likely to be covered under the said scheme?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (DR. SUBHAS SARKAR)

(a) to (e): Saksham Scholarship Scheme is an initiative of All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) for differently-abled students to encourage them to pursue higher education. Under the scheme, the AICTE provides scholarship of upto Rs. 50,000/- per annum to eligible specially-abled students admitted in AICTE approved institution in first year or second year (through lateral entry) of Degree/Diploma level course, having disability greater than or equal to forty percent and whose total family income is less than Rs. 8 Lakh per annum. The budget for this Scheme for the Financial Year 2023-24 is Rs. 13.39 Crore. AICTE implements the scheme in all States and UTs in India including Rajasthan.
