GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2931 TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.3.2022

Reimbursement of Fees

2931. SHRI ADALA PRABHAKARA REDDY:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to provide full fee reimbursement benefits to Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribe, Other Backword Class and minority students for higher education like Jagananna Vidya Deevena scheme implemented by Andhra Pradesh.
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating the courses that would be considered thereunder; and
- (c) the criteria likely to be adopted by the Government to identify the eligible beneficiary and the method of monetary transaction?

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

(a) to (c) Department of Higher Education is implementing various scholarship Schemes like (i) Central Sector Scheme of Scholarship (CSSS) for College and University Students; (ii) Special Scholarship Scheme for Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh; and (iii) Central Sector Interest Subsidy Scheme (CSIS) and Credit Guarantee Fund Scheme for Education Loan (CGFSEL) to ensure that no student is denied the opportunity to pursue higher education because he/she is poor. All categories of students including SC, ST, OBC, Minority and PwD are eligible to get financial assistance as per the schematic norms. The Reservation Policy is being followed under the schemes. Apart from the above, UGC is implementing various scholarship/fellowship Schemes like "Ishan Uday" Special Scholarship Scheme for North Eastern Region; P.G. Scholarship for University Rank Holders; P.G. Scholarship for GATE/GPAT qualified students for pursuing M.Tech/ M.E./ M.Pharma; P.G. Scholarship for Professional Courses for SC/ST candidates; P.G. Indira Gandhi Scholarship for Single Girl Child; Maulana Azad National Fellowship for Minority Students; National Fellowship for Students of Other Backward Classes (OBC); and National Fellowship for Scheduled Caste (SC) candidates etc.