

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No- †860
TO BE ANSWERED ON- 07/02/2022

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO TRIBAL STUDENTS

†860. SHRI BHOLANATH (B.P. SAROJ):

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government provides any financial assistance to tribal students for acquiring higher education in engineering, medical technology and science spheres;
- (b) if so, the number of the beneficiaries covered under it every year during the last three years and the current year along with the State/UT-wise number thereof;
- (c) whether the Government provides proper guidance to the tribal students to seek admission in foreign recognized universities;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TRIBAL AFFAIRS
(SHRI BISHWESWAR TUDU)

(a): Ministry of Tribal Affairs provides financial assistance to the Tribal students to pursue higher education inter-alia in Engineering, technology and science under the following schemes:

- (i) Post Matric Scholarship for ST Students.
- (ii) National Fellowship & Scholarship for Higher Education for ST Students.
- (iii) National Overseas Scholarship for ST students for studying abroad.

(b): Under the scheme of National Overseas Scholarship for ST students for studying abroad and National Fellowship & Scholarship for Higher Education, there is no state-wise release of funds. Hence, year-wise number of beneficiaries covered under the two schemes along with State-wise beneficiaries covered during the last three years and current year under Post Matric Scholarship Scheme is furnished as per **Annexure**.

(c) & (d): Under the scheme of “National Overseas Scholarships to STs for higher studies abroad”, this Ministry provides financial assistance to students for pursuing higher studies abroad in the Institutes and the courses of their choice. This Ministry provides assistance for applying and verification of documents. Students can also register their difficulties in the grievance portal provided for the purpose for resolution of such grievances/difficulties.

(e): Does not arise in view of (c) & (d) above.

Annexure

Annexure referred to in reply to part (b) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. †860 for 07.02.2022 raised by SHRI BHOLANATH (B.P. SAROJ), MP regarding Financial Assistance to Tribal Students.

State/UT-wise details of number of beneficiaries covered during the last three years and current year under the scheme Post Matric Scholarship to ST Students					
Sl.No	State Name	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
		Beneficiaries	Beneficiaries	Beneficiaries	Beneficiaries
1	A.& N. Islands	439	447	312	550
2	Andhra Pradesh	59146	158195	71820	67903
3	Arunachal Pradesh	26000	20500	31916	38301
4	Assam	79526	55507	54846	85716
5	Bihar	12544	13938	19513	*
6	Chhattisgarh	154656	144453	140163	151682
7	Dadar Nagar Haveli & Daman & Diu	–	–	6180	*
8	Dadar & Nagar Haveli	2115	5618	–	–
9	Daman & Diu	192	351	–	–
10	Goa	5847	5870	6412	6035
11	Gujarat	198557	202667	202413	200397
12	Himachal Pradesh	4729	3009	5121	*
13	Jammu & Kashmir	27900	10685	4940	12147
14	Jharkhand	76782	79823	78755	94506
15	Karnataka	111614	118083	129094	118042
16	Kerala	16245	16583	15820	16385
17	Ladakh	–	–	8200	8500
18	Madhya Pradesh	289095	244126	279722	322678
19	Maharashtra	131000	139550	157503	140644
20	Manipur	22644	30969	37258	*
21	Meghalaya	634	6159	17315	*
22	Mizoram	47948	38174	33798	39442
23	Nagaland	38380	40164	37183	43424
24	Odisha	196667	171532	155309	163074
25	Puducherry	–	23	38	*
26	Rajasthan	269659	286652	315315	*
27	Sikkim	4299	4431	3488	4535
28	Tamil Nadu	29622	29478	20324	24387
29	Telangana	58253	129243	118347	130179
30	Tripura	22896	23720	26092	28703
31	Uttar Pradesh	15086	17984	19782	*
32	Uttarakhand	6133	6499	3528	9235
33	West Bengal	58421	62234	58156	70946
	Total	1967029	2066667	2058663	1777411

*Proposal yet to be received from States.

Number of Beneficiaries covered under National Fellowship and Scholarship for Higher Education for ST students (Fellowship)			
2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
2519	2552	2625	2631

Number of Beneficiaries covered under National Fellowship and Scholarship for Higher Education for ST students (Top Class)			
2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
1990	1914	2449	2148

Number of Beneficiaries awarded under National Overseas Scholarship for ST students			
2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
21	29	30	37
