GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION No *149 TO BE ANSWERED ON- 05/12/2024

SCHOLARSHIP SCHEMES FOR TRIBAL STUDENTS

*149. DR. KIRSAN NAMDEO:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state: -

- (a) whether the Government is implementing Pre-Matric and Post-Matric Scholarship Scheme and National Fellowship Scheme for supporting Scheduled Tribes students in pursuing higher education; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof particularly in Gadchiroli-Chimur Parliamentary Constituency?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM)

(a) & (b): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) & (B) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *149 FOR 05.12.2024 ASKED BY DR. KIRSAN NAMDEO, HON'BLE MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT REGARDING SCHOLARSHIP SCHEMES FOR TRIBAL STUDENTS.

- (a) & (b): Ministry of Tribal Affairs is implementing following 5 scholarship Schemes for ST students in the country
- i. Pre-Matric Scholarship for ST students (Class IX and X)
- ii. Post Matric Scholarship for ST students. (Class XI and above)
- iii. National Fellowship for ST students. (For MPhil and PhD)
- iv. National Scholarship for Higher Education for ST students. (For Higher Education in top class Institutes)
- v. National Overseas Scholarship for ST student (for Higher studies abroad)

The Pre-Matric and Post Matric scholarship schemes are Centrally sponsored schemes implemented by the State Govt, who are responsible for inviting application, verification of students and release of funds.

However, State Govt. of Maharashtra is implementing only Post-Matric Scholarship scheme of M/o Tribal Affairs. As regards Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme State Govt. of Maharashtra has reported that they are implementing Golden Jubilee Pre-Secondary Scholarship Scheme (100% State Government Scheme) from the year 2010-11 as per the Government Resolution dated 31.05.2010 as an incentive scheme to cover educational expenses of Scheduled Tribe students studying in classes 1st to 10th in the state.

Further, the National Fellowship Scheme is a Central Sector Scheme implemented and funded by Ministry of Tribal Affairs to grant fellowship to ST students for pursuing Ph.D. in India after completion of Master Degree. There are 750 slots for fresh fellowships every year under this scheme. The value of fellowship is at par with the UGC rates. For detailed guidelines and further details, Ministry's website (tribal.nic.in) and Performance Dashboard (dashboard.tribal.gov.in) may be visited.

The details of beneficiaries & funds released under Post Matric Scholarship, as submitted by Government of Maharashtra and details under National Fellowship Scheme as per Ministry's record in respect of Gadchiroli-Chimur Parliamentary Constituency is at **Annexure-I**.

Annexure referred to in reply to parts (a) & (b) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. *149 for 05.12.2024 asked by Dr. Kirsan Namdeo, hon'ble Member of Parliament regarding Scholarship Schemes for Tribal Students.

Details under Post-Matric scholarship scheme for ST students in respect of Gadchiroli-Chimur				
Parliamentary Constituency				
F.Y	Fund Released	Fund Utilized	No. of beneficiaries	
	(Rs in Lakh)	(Rs in Lakh)	paid scholarship	
2019-20	1263.95	1263.95	12427	
2020-21	1545.11	1545.11	11033	
2021-22	1630.62	1630.62	13255	
2022-23	1767.82	1767.82	13419	
2023-24	1653.49	1653.49	11953	

Details under National Fellowship Scheme for ST students in respect of Gadchiroli-Chimur Parliamentary Constituency			
F.Y	Fund released (Rs. in Lakhs)	No of beneficiaries paid fellowship	
2019-2020	18.90	6	
2020-2021	15.77	7	
2021-2022	41.67	9	
2022-2023	26.46	7	
2023-2024	14.66	5	
