

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1939**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 11TH MARCH, 2025/ PHALGUNA 20, 1946 (SAKA)

BENEFICIARIES UNDER PM SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME

1939. SHRI HARIBHAI PATEL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the detailed data on the number of beneficiaries under the Prime Minister's Scholarship Scheme for the Wards/Widows of Central Armed Police Force (CAPF) Personnel since its inception;

(b) the detailed data on the funds sanctioned and disbursed under the scheme till March 2025;

(c) whether the scheme had any impact on educational or employment opportunities of the beneficiaries;

(d) if so, the details thereof, and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) whether any steps have been taken by the Government for increasing the scholarship amount under the scheme in the future, and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI NITYANAND RAI)**

(a) & (b): Under the Prime Minister's Scholarship Scheme (PMSS) a total of 49,189 scholarships have been disbursed for the wards and widows of CAPFs and State Police Personnel since its inception in 2006-07 until 2023-24. The merit list of PMSS for academic year 2024-25 will be generated after March 2025. Out of the total sanctioned amount of

₹1,39,96,72,276 (Rupees one hundred thirty-nine crores, ninety-six lakhs, seventy-two thousand, two hundred seventy-six), a total of ₹1,39,94,16,750 (Rupees one hundred thirty-nine crores, ninety-four lakhs, sixteen thousand, seven hundred fifty) has been disbursed till 2023-24.

(c) & (d): The Prime Minister's Scholarship Scheme has significantly enhanced the educational and employment opportunities of its beneficiaries by providing financial support, which reduces barriers to accessing quality education and allows students to focus more on their studies, improving academic performance and boosting self-confidence. Since 2019-20, the scheme has been expanded to cover the wards of State Police Personnel who lost their lives in naxal or terror attacks.

(e): The Government has increased the scholarship amount from time to time, as per details given below: -

Academic Year.	Amount.	
	For Girls	For Boys
2006-07 to 2011-12	₹ 1,500/- per month.	₹ 1,250/- per month.
2012-13 to 2018-19	₹ 2,250/- per month.	₹ 2,000/- per month.
2019-20 onwards	₹ 3,000/- per month.	₹ 2,500/- per month.
