

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No.6380
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.04.2026

Scholarships for ST students

6380 Shri **Daggumalla Prasada Rao**:

Will the Minister of **Tribal Affairs** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of scholarships provided for students belonging to Scheduled Tribes (STs) in the country, particularly those intended for pursuing education abroad;
- (b) the number of students availing such scholarships since inception, year-wise and State-wise, including district-wise details for Andhra Pradesh;
- (c) the funds released under such schemes since inception, year-wise and State-wise, including district-wise details for Andhra Pradesh;
- (d) the key issues reported in the implementation of such schemes and the measures taken to address the same; and
- (e) the measures taken to increase awareness of such schemes and the funds allocated for the same?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TRIBAL AFFAIRS
(SHRI DURGADAS UIKEY)

- (a) Ministry of Tribal Affairs implements the following Scholarship Schemes to promote and encourage secondary and higher education amongst ST population 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 (NFST). (for Ph.D scholars)
 - iv) National Scholarship for Higher Education for ST students (Top Class)
 - v) National Overseas Scholarship (NOS) for ST students

Out of the schemes mentioned above, the scheme of National Overseas Scholarship (NOS) for ST students is specifically for the students pursuing education abroad.

Under the National Overseas Scholarship (NOS) scheme, a total of 20 slots is available annually for Scheduled Tribe (ST) students. The scheme is applicable to candidates whose annual family income does not exceed ₹6.00 lakh. The age limit for applicants is prescribed as per the scheme guidelines (For Master - 32 years, Ph.D - 35 years and for Post-Doctoral Research - 38 years). Furthermore, the scholarship is admissible for studies taking admission in top 1000 ranked universities as per the latest QS World University Rankings.

(b) Number of students availing scholarships under above mentioned scholarship schemes (year-wise, State-wise) for last five years is given at **Annexure-I**.

Scheme-wise and District-wise Number of students availing scholarships in Andhra Pradesh for last five years is given at **Annexure-II**.

(c) Fund released under scholarship schemes (year-wise, State-wise) for last five years is given at **Annexure-III**.

Scheme-wise and District-wise fund release for scholarships in Andhra Pradesh for last five years is given at **Annexure-IV**.

(d) No specific issue is brought to the notice of the Ministry.

(e) The Ministry is creating awareness about scholarship Schemes through publication in its official Portal, advertisement in News Papers, through State/UT administration, Universities & Institutions.

Annexure-I

Year wise Number of students availing scholarships under scholarship schemes (All India) during last five years:

Scheme Name	Year 2020-21 to 2024-25				
	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Pre-Matric Scholarship	1145018	1302724	721466	575314	283159
Post-Matric Scholarship	1732373	2391924	2006508	1434884	262611
National Scholarship Scheme	2449	2751	2828	5429	7013
National Fellowship Scheme	2625	2693	2938	2975	2698
National Overseas Scholarship scheme	30	46	44	65	58

1. National Overseas Scholarship (NOS) for ST Students

Number of students availing scholarships district-wise details for Andhra Pradesh for last five years. (F.Y 2021-22 to F.Y 2024-25) under NOS Scheme					
	F.Y 2020-21	F.Y 2021-22	F.Y 2022-23	F.Y 2023-24	F.Y 2024-25
District Name	No. of Beneficiaries	No. of Beneficiaries	No. of Beneficiaries	No. of Beneficiaries	No. of Beneficiaries
Kurnool			1	1	1
Guntur				1	

2. National Scholarship Scheme (Top Claas scheme)

Number of students availing scholarships district-wise details for Andhra Pradesh for last five years. (F.Y 2021-22 to F.Y 2024-25) under National Scholarship Scheme (Top Claas scheme)					
	F.Y 2020-21	F.Y 2021-22	F.Y 2022-23	F.Y 2023-24	F.Y 2024-25
District	No. of Beneficiaries	No. of Beneficiaries	No. of Beneficiaries	No. of Beneficiaries	No. of Beneficiaries
ALLURI SITHARAMA RAJU				24	28
ANAKAPALLI					1
ANANTAPUR	29	39	36		
ANANTHAPURAMU				48	45
ANNAMAYYA				3	6
BAPATLA				3	8
CHITTOOR	10	13	7	9	7
DR. B.R. AMBEDKAR KONASEEMA				1	1
EAST GODAVARI	7	8	9	10	5
ELURU				4	9
GUNTUR	33	34	39	47	40
KAKINADA				2	1
KRISHNA	16	18	14	17	11
KURNOOL	12	13	11	18	22
NANDYAL				5	11

NTR				12	18
PALNADU				12	24
PARVATHIPURAM MANYAM				3	9
PRAKASAM	8	7	9	15	12
SPSR NELLORE	10	15	8		
SRI POTTI SRIRAMULU NELLORE				15	13
SRI SATHYA SAI				14	25
SRIKAKULAM	1	3	7	15	16
TIRUPATI				1	1
VISAKHAPATANAM	15	18	17	23	15
VIZIANAGARAM	1	2	4	6	5
WEST GODAVARI	1	3	2	6	6
Y.S.R.	4	9	9	8	4

3. National Fellowship Scheme (NFST)

Number of students availing scholarships district-wise details for Andhra Pradesh for last five years. (F.Y 2021-22 to F.Y 2024-25) under National Fellowship Scheme (NFST)					
Year	F.Y 2020-21	F.Y 2021-22	F.Y 2022-23	F.Y 2023-24	F.Y 2024-25
District	No. of Beneficiaries	No. of Beneficiaries	No. of Beneficiaries	No. of Beneficiaries	No. of Beneficiaries
ALLURI SITHARAMA RAJU	0	0	0	0	2
ANAKAPALLI	0	0	0	0	1
ANANTHAPURAMU	10	11	13	11	8
ANNAMAYYA	0	0	0	0	2
CHITTOOR	20	15	7	5	3
EAST GODAVARI	4	4	2	4	1
GUNTUR	26	25	21	17	9
KAKINADA	0	0	0	0	1
KRISHNA	4	7	3	1	1
KURNOOL	7	7	5	7	4
PARVATHIPURAM MANYAM	0	0	0	0	1
PRAKASAM	9	6	6	3	1
SRI POTTI SRIRAMULU NELLORE	3	3	5	3	0
SRI SATHYA SAI	0	0	0	0	1

SRIKAKULAM	3	1	1	1	1
TIRUPATI	0	0	0	0	1
VISAKHAPATANAM	37	34	31	28	16
VIZIANAGARAM	3	2	2	2	1
WEST GODAVARI	3	2	2	3	3
Y.S.R. KADAPA	11	10	8	5	2

4. Pre-Matric Scheme

Number of students availing scholarships district-wise details for Andhra Pradesh for last five years. (A.Y 2021-22 to A.Y 2024-25) under Pre-Matric Scheme					
Year	A.Y 2020-21	A.Y 2021-22	A.Y 2022-23	A.Y 2023-24	A.Y 2024-25
Name of the District	No of beneficiaries	No of beneficiaries	No of beneficiaries	No of beneficiaries	No of beneficiaries
Alluri seetha ramaraju			11221	23596	No payment has been made during this year
Anakapalli			950	2101	
Anathapur	1774	2321	1229	2601	
Annamayya			1073	1933	
Bapatla			1061	1834	
Chittoor	1776	2060	854	1608	
East Godavari	2927	4117	352	974	
Eluru			1827	3527	
Guntur	2723	3367	1112	2417	
Kadapa	695	856			
Kakinada			469	1022	
konaseema			265	482	
krishna	1574	1734	567	1381	
Kurnool	849	1139	459	1263	
Nandyal			840	1973	
Nellore	1807	2198			
NTR			1295	2708	
Palnadu			2112	4279	

Parvathipuram Manyam			4050	8472	
Prakasam	1211	1515	1114	2478	
SPSR Nellore			2233	4665	
Sri satya sai			1267	2296	
Srikakulam	1909	2460	1317	2514	
Tirupathi			2488	4324	
Visakapatanam	5240	8234	593	1696	
Vizianagaram	2616	3566	814	1517	
West Godavari	1575	1797	314	680	
YSR			589	1325	
Total	26676	35364	40465	83666	

5. Post-Matric Scheme

Number of students availing scholarships district-wise details for Andhra Pradesh for last five years. (A.Y 2021-22 to A.Y 2024-25) under Post-Matric Scheme					
Year	A.Y 2020-21	A.Y 2021-22	A.Y 2022-23	A.Y 2023-24	A.Y 2024-25
Name of the District	No of beneficiaries	No of beneficiaries	No of beneficiaries	No of beneficiaries	No of beneficiaries
Alluri seetha ramaraju			18166	19056	4097
Anakapalli			5018	4325	1316
Anathapur	7901	8500	5382	4317	1904
Annamayya			2862	2358	1079
Bapatla			2231	1795	676
Chittor	8651	8632	2040	1748	760
East Godavari	12614	13377	4001	1296	341
Eluru			5004	3186	1976
Guntur	12329	12168	6557	4663	1324
Kadapa	4057	1280			
Kakinada			4918	6103	2998
konaseema			1388	3276	2375
krishna	8351	8039	2302	2982	882
Kurnool	4494	4729	2149	1767	803
Nandyal			2815	2255	689
Nellore	5758	6185			
NTR			4995	4601	1817
Palnadu			5372	4412	1726

Parvathipuram Manyam			10145	10130	1982
Prakasam	5201	5260	4460	3733	1648
SPSR Nellore			5090	4158	1821
Sri satya sai			2585	4175	1955
Srikakulam	6859	7182	4958	2101	563
Tirupathi			7213	6370	2902
Visakapatanam	19813	21273	7509	6415	3936
Vizianagaram	11757	12343	7177	5993	2091
West Godavari	4860	5121	1320	1042	665
YSR			3375	2267	1360
Total	112645	114089	129032	114524	43686

Annexure-III**Year-wise Fund released under scholarship schemes (All India) during last five years:****(Rs. in Lakh)**

Scheme Name	Year 2020-21 to 2024-25				
	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Pre-Matric Scholarship	41586.31	44473.22	24091.19	21067.14	10935.26
Post-Matric Scholarship	205036.80	285893.19	287622.03	284704.16	50168.62
National Scholarship Scheme	2931.46	3516.51	3448.15	7043.96	9537.72
National Fellowship Scheme	9077.88	8485.65	11051.79	15955.81	14462.27
National Overseas Scholarship scheme	476	495	397.13	700	600

Annexure-IV

Scheme-wise and District-wise fund released for scholarships in Andhra Pradesh for last five years.

1. National Overseas Scholarship (NOS) for ST Students

(Rs. in Lakh)

Fund released district-wise for Andhra Pradesh for last five years. (F.Y 2021-22 to F.Y 2024-25) under NOS Scheme					
	F.Y 2020-21	F.Y 2021-22	F.Y 2022-23	F.Y 2023-24	F.Y 2024-25
District Name	Fund release	Fund release	Fund release	Fund release	Fund release
Kurnool	0		17.08393	41.90072	33.23813
Guntur	0		0	0.57222	0

2. National Scholarship Scheme (Top Claas scheme)

(Rs. in Lakh)

Fund released district-wise for Andhra Pradesh for last five years. (F.Y 2021-22 to F.Y 2024-25) under National Scholarship Scheme (Top Claas scheme)					
	F.Y 2020-21	F.Y 2021-22	F.Y 2022-23	F.Y 2023-24	F.Y 2024-25
District	Fund release	Fund release	Fund release	Fund release	Fund release
ALLURI SITHARAMA RAJU	0.00	0.00	0.00	29.00	26.98
ANAKAPALLI	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.19
ANANTAPUR	19.82	30.36	22.41	0.00	0.00
ANANTHAPURAMU	0.00	0.00	0.00	41.89	43.40
ANNAMAYYA	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.11	9.97
BAPATLA	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.13	9.74
CHITTOOR	10.85	17.91	11.93	7.05	4.15
DR. B.R. AMBEDKAR KONASEEMA	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.08	0.47

EAST GODAVARI	4.45	4.41	5.57	6.94	3.08
ELURU	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.33	11.31
GUNTUR	37.80	44.19	42.95	57.01	44.39
KAKINADA	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.98	0.41
KRISHNA	27.08	15.20	12.49	16.23	9.66
KURNOOL	14.78	11.35	11.20	24.80	29.05
NANDYAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.83	10.15
NTR	0.00	0.00	0.00	24.71	27.30
PALNADU	0.00	0.00	0.00	20.62	33.25
PARVATHIPURAM MANYAM	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.22	8.05
PRAKASAM	7.03	3.64	6.96	13.73	15.45
SPSR NELLORE	8.28	10.50	6.60	0.00	0.00
SRI POTTI SRIRAMULU NELLORE	0.00	0.00	0.00	10.90	11.65
SRI SATHYA SAI	0.00	0.00	0.00	17.37	39.26
SRIKAKULAM	0.32	4.72	6.27	11.77	11.09
TIRUPATI	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.66	3.24
VISAKHAPATANAM	11.67	12.32	18.71	24.78	19.92
VIZIANAGARAM	0.30	1.18	3.58	4.71	2.75
WEST GODAVARI	1.35	3.24	1.41	4.62	4.67
Y.S.R.	4.10	4.19	4.59	5.36	2.31

3. National fellowship Scheme (NFST)

(Rs. in Lakh)

Fund released district-wise for Andhra Pradesh for last five years. (F.Y 2021-22 to F.Y 2024-25) under National Fellowship Scheme (NFST)					
	F.Y 2020-21	F.Y 2021-22	F.Y 2022-23	F.Y 2023-24	F.Y 2024-25
	Fund release	Fund release	Fund release	Fund release	Fund release
ALLURI SITHARAMA RAJU	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	18.36
ANAKAPALLI	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6.86
ANANTHAPURAMU	43.98	31.13	40.19	50.54	38.56
ANNAMAYYA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	17.33
CHITTOOR	39.48	33.73	24.88	22.03	15.02
EAST GODAVARI	15.06	16.39	9.85	5.75	5.80
GUNTUR	99.88	72.33	103.98	65.98	23.71

KAKINADA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8.19
KRISHNA	15.59	24.17	10.52	0.23	1.28
KURNOOL	18.52	23.87	13.00	38.03	9.99
PARVATHIPURAM MANYAM	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7.94
PRAKASAM	33.58	23.23	12.68	8.19	7.05
SRI POTTI SRIRAMULU NELLORE	7.36	11.63	21.43	11.37	0.00
SRI SATHYA SAI	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8.73
SRIKAKULAM	2.06	0.20	0.64	6.70	5.86
TIRUPATI	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6.95
VISAKHAPATANAM	129.02	94.83	124.98	91.75	85.08
VIZIANAGARAM	9.54	4.16	11.50	8.03	3.33
WEST GODAVARI	9.79	8.04	4.32	14.79	19.31
Y.S.R.	36.59	23.77	21.11	20.64	13.98

4. Pre-Matric Scheme

Fund released district-wise for Andhra Pradesh for last five years. (A.Y 2021-22 to A.Y 2024-25) under Pre-Matric Scheme					
	A.Y 2020-21	A.Y 2021-22	A.Y 2022-23	A.Y 2023-24	A.Y 2024-25
District Name	Fund release	Fund release	Fund release	Fund release	Fund release
Alluri seetha ramaraju			525.45	1396.95	No payment has been made during this year
Anakapalli			44.49	86.95	
Anathapur	248.36	301.73	57.55	106.86	
Annamayya			50.25	80.84	
Bapatla			49.68	62.59	
Chittor	248.64	267.8	39.99	56.63	
East Godavari	409.78	535.21	16.48	34.03	
Eluru			85.55	173.35	
Guntur	381.22	437.71	52.07	78.95	
Kadapa	97.3	111.28			
Kakinada			21.96	41.84	
konaseema			12.41	14.98	
krishna	220.36	225.42	26.55	52.45	

Kurnool	118.86	148.07	21.49	54.47
Nandyal			39.33	89.38
Nellore	252.98	285.74		
NTR			60.64	102.69
Palnadu			98.90	172.86
Parvathipuram Manyam			189.65	500.35
Prakasam	169.54	196.95	52.17	103.72
SPSR Nellore			104.56	165.66
Sri satya sai			59.33	97.84
Srikakulam	267.26	319.8	61.67	131.61
Tirupathi			116.51	165.83
Visakapatanam	733.6	1070.42	27.77	68.5
Vizianagaram	366.24	463.58	38.12	69.82
West Godavari	220.5	233.61	14.70	21.02
YSR			27.58	50.64
Total	3734.64	4597.32	1894.86	3981

5. Post-Matric Scheme

Fund released district-wise for Andhra Pradesh for last five years. (A.Y 2021-22 to A.Y 2024-25) under Post-Matric Scheme					
	A.Y 2020-21	A.Y 2021-22	A.Y 2022-23	A.Y 2023-24	A.Y 2024-25
District Name	Fund release	Fund release	Fund release	Fund release	Fund release
Alluri seetha ramaraju			1682.68	2321.76	222.8
Anakapalli			749.98	722.32	256.07
Anathapur	594.55907	1141.24099	1020.60	954.82	557.29
Annamayya			542.43	514.49	354.27
Bapatla			447.75	401.32	264.88
Chittor	899.43574	1429.7082	325.52	328.99	212.93
East Godavari	836.70275	1542.22	495.85	257.79	114.6
Eluru			912.83	488.92	262.31

Guntur	1453.10701	1930.96352	1618.35	842.79	378.38
Kadapa	412.65932	735.40712			
Kakinada			974.86	1466.58	1051.31
konaseema			271.13	775.66	474.54
krishna	1060.8066	1454.58961	613.82	610.16	376.46
Kurnool	387.53477	669.4159	451.46	439.9	291.16
Nandyal			437.86	411.52	212.53
Nellore	481.02847	915.29096			
NTR			1008.08	974.84	578.54
Palnadu			971.10	876.35	453.52
Parvathipuram Manyam			1105.45	1312.99	246.32
Prakasam	441.34207	753.80488	923.85	902.12	517.23
SPSR Nellore			941.45	754.47	407.18
Sri satya sai			354.59	876.09	507.18
Srikakulam	382.66077	728.74652	708.39	341.22	146.14
Tirupathi			1483.32	1419.6	866.61
Visakapatnam	1216.08144	2293.11664	1486.26	1427.05	893.22
Vizianagaram	632.41168	1287.54757	1077.79	1037.23	452.67
West Godavari	410.80959	666.18623	346.59	329.8	369.66
YSR			778.68	614.13	443.45
