

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2531
TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.03.2016

Increasing Fellowship

2531. ADV. JOICE GEORGE:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is planning to increase the Junior Research Fellowship (JRF), Senior Research Fellowship (SRF) and Post Doctoral Fellowship (PDF) for both Science and Art Subjects in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the amount of fellowship was well utilised by the colleges; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) & (b): The University Grants Commission (UGC) has already enhanced the amount of its fellowships/scholarships for humanities, social sciences and basic scientific research with effect from 1st December, 2014 by 55% of existing amounts. The revision was undertaken for maintaining parity with similar increase in the amount of fellowships by the Ministry of Science and Technology.

(c) & (d): The UGC is disbursing funds under 16 scholarships and fellowships through Direct Benefit Transfer; these are not routed through the Colleges. For remaining scholarships and fellowships the amount routed through colleges to the students is periodically reviewed by the UGC for submission of Utilization Certificates in accordance with the fellowship/ scholarship guidelines.
