

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1202  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.05.2016

**Delay in Stipend to Scholars**

1202. DR. A. SAMPATH:

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

- (a) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that there is delay in disbursing stipend to University Grants Commission (UGC) for doing research students even after scoring Junior Research Fellowship (JRF)/National Eligibility Test (NET);
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has done any budgetary cut for the research during the last three years and the current year; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) & (b): No such specific complaint has been received by the UGC. However in a few cases there may have been delay in disbursements due to (i) late joining by candidates; (ii) delay in submission of documents to the bank branches; (iii) delay in uploading of documents; (iv) technical problems in the Public Financial Management System(PFMS).

(c) & (d): No Madam. The UGC has informed that budgetary allocations for research have not been reduced during the last three years. On the contrary, the Government has enhanced the research emoluments of research scholars/fellows by 55%.

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