GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1243 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.05.2016

Non-Net Fellowships

1243. SHRI DHANANJAY MAHADIK:

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

- (a) the number of students who got University Grants Commission (UGC) scholarship during the last three years;
- (b) the number of Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) scholarships disbursed by UGC during the above period;
- (c) the total number of scholarships disbursed as compared to the total number of UGC-JRF scholars in the country during the said period;
- (d) whether the Government is aware that a large number of students have not been paid scholarships during the last eight months and if so, the details thereof and the remedial steps taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (e) whether the Government is aware that scholars from Central Universities are demanding increase in Non-Net fellowships grants and if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto?

ANSWER

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

(a): The number of beneficiaries who got University Grants Commission (UGC) Scholarships during the last three years are given below:

Year	Number of Beneficiaries	
2013-14	4391	
2014-15	8728	
2015-16	17741	

(b): The number of Junior Research Fellowships (JRFs)/ Senior Research Fellowships(SRFs) disbursed by the UGC during the last three years are given below:

Year	Number of JRF/ SRF disbursed by UGC	
2013-14	29812	
2014-15	41183	
2015-16	54120	

(c): The number of JRFs/ SRFs fellowships disbursed by the UGC as compared to the number of UGC JRF/SRF scholars during the last three years are given below:

Year	Number of JRF/ SRF fellowships	JRF/SRF scholars
	disbursed by UGC	
2013-14	29812	34663
2014-15	41183	46421
2015-16	54120	58838

- (d): No such specific complaint has been received by the UGC. However in a few cases there may be 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 Public Financial Management System (PFMS).
- (e): The UGC has received demands from scholars of Central Universities demanding increase in Non-NET fellowship grant. The Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) has set up a Review Committee under the chairmanship of Prof. Gautam Barua to look into the issues.
