

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT
DEPARTMENT OF EMPOWERMENT OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2754
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.05.2016

Scholarship Schemes for Differently Abled Students

2754. SHRI DEVAJIBHAI G. FATEPARA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of differently abled students who have benefited under various scholarship schemes during the last one year, Scheme and State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has received complaints regarding denial of benefits of the said schemes to the eligible students in the country, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor during each of the last three years and the current year, Scheme and State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether instances of taking advantage of the said schemes by noneligible students have also come to the notice of the Government during the said period;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, Scheme and State/UTwise; and
- (e) the action taken by the Government thereon along with the steps taken/being taken by the Government to bring each eligible students under the coverage of the said Schemes?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
(SHRI KRISHANPAL GURJAR)

- (a) The details are enclosed at **Annexure-I**.
- (b) and (c) No, Madam.
- (d) Does not arise.
- (e) The various actions taken by Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (DEPwD) are given at **Annexure-II**.

ANNEXURE-I REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2754 FOR ANSWER ON 10TH MAY 2016 RAISED BY SHRI DEVAJIBHAI G. FATEPARA REGARDING "SCHOLARSHIP SCHEMES FOR DIFFERENTLY ABLED STUDENTS"

No. of Students with Disabilities (SwDs) awarded scholarships during 2015-16

| SI No. | State/UT | Scholarship Schemes for SwDs | | | | | |
|--------------|----------------------|------------------------------|-------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| | | Pre-matric | Post-matric | Top Class Education | National Overseas Scholarship | National Fellowships | Scholarships under Trust Fund |
| 1 | ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | ANDHRA PRADESH | 16 | 15 | 2 | 0 | 13 | 79 |
| 3 | ARUNACHAL PRADESH | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 4 | ASSAM | 0 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 12 |
| 5 | BIHAR | 7 | 9 | 2 | 3 | 7 | 138 |
| 6 | CHANDIGARH | 11 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 7 | CHHATTISGARH | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 |
| 8 | DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 9 | DAMAN & DIU | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 10 | DELHI | 0 | 128 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 37 |
| 11 | GOA | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 12 | GUJARAT | 12 | 32 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 25 |
| 13 | HARYANA | 0 | 38 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 34 |
| 14 | HIMACHAL PRADESH | 36 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| 15 | JAMMU AND KASHMIR | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 12 |
| 16 | JHARKHAND | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 37 |
| 17 | KARNATAKA | 38 | 40 | 3 | 0 | 12 | 62 |
| 18 | KERALA | 1067 | 130 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 45 |
| 19 | LAKSHADWEEP | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 20 | MADHYA PRADESH | 74 | 219 | 2 | 0 | 6 | 47 |
| 21 | MAHARASHTRA | 0 | 44 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 60 |
| 22 | MANIPUR | 0 | 27 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| 23 | MEGHALAYA | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 24 | MIZORAM | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 25 | NAGALAND | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 26 | ODISHA | 792 | 1095 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 30 |
| 27 | PUDUCHERRY | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 28 | PUNJAB | 0 | 45 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 8 |
| 29 | RAJASTHAN | 3 | 60 | 1 | 0 | 11 | 26 |
| 30 | SIKKIM | 0 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 31 | TAMIL NADU | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 21 | 112 |
| 32 | TELANGANA | 4 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 9 |
| 33 | TRIPURA | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 34 | UTTARAKHAND | 0 | 42 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 12 |
| 35 | UTTAR PRADESH | 270 | 1545 | 1 | 0 | 36 | 301 |
| 36 | WEST BENGAL | 37 | 22 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 47 |
| TOTAL | | 2368 | 3562 | 14 | 7 | 200 | 1157 |

ANNEXURE-II

ANNEXURE-II REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2754 FOR ANSWER ON 10TH MAY 2016 RAISED BY SHRI DEVAJIBHAI G. FATEPARA REGARDING "SCHOLARSHIP SCHEMES FOR DIFFERENTLY ABLED STUDENTS"

The following actions have been taken to bring each student with disabilities (SwD) under coverage of the scholarship schemes:-

1. The following six different scholarship schemes are being implemented to cover Students with Disabilities (SwDs) at various levels:-
 - (a) Pre-Matric Scholarship Schemes for class IX & X (Number of scholarship per annum-46000),
 - (b) Post-Matric Scholarship Scheme for class XI to Post Graduation (Number of scholarship per annum-16650),
 - (c) Scholarship for Top Class Education for Post Graduation Degree or Diploma through institutes of excellence as notified in the scheme (number of scholarship per annum-160),
 - (d) National Overseas Scholarship Scheme for pursuing studies abroad at the level of Masters' Degree and Ph.D. (Number of scholarship per annum-20),
 - (e) National Fellowship for Persons with Disabilities (NFPwD) for pursuing M.Phil/Ph.D. courses in any University recognized by University Grants Commission (UGC) (Number of fellowships per annum-200),
 - (f) Scholarship Scheme (Trust Fund) for pursuing post graduate technical & professional courses. The scheme is being managed by National Handicapped Finance and Development Corporation (NHFDC) (Number of scholarship per annum-2500)
2. The National e-Scholarships Portal (NeSP) www.scholarships.gov.in has been launched as a part of Digital India campaign by Hon'ble Prime Minister on 1st July, 2015. Three scholarship schemes of this Department namely Pre-Matric Scholarship, Post-Matric Scholarship and Top Class Education are being implemented through NeSP. NeSP is one-stop solution through which various services, starting from student registration, application receipt, processing, sanction and disbursal of various scholarships to students, are enabled.
3. Advertisement is published in leading newspapers all over the country to call for applications for all the schemes.
4. Notifications are issued through the website of this Ministry for information of all concerned.
5. Letters have been issued to UGC, Ministry of External Affairs and all the institutes notified under the scheme of scholarship for Top Class Education.
