

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
(MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS)
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. †1342
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25/07/2016

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO TRIBAL STUDENTS

†1342: Shri Anshul Verma

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is implementing any scheme and also provides any financial assistance thereunder to the Tribal Students for pursuing higher education in the field of engineering, technology and science in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of beneficiaries therefrom during each of the last three years and the current year state/UT-wise including Uttar Pradesh;
- (c) whether the Government provides suitable guidance to Tribal Students seeking admission to the foreign accredited universities;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS
(SHRI JASWANTSINH SUMANBHAI BHABHOR)

(a)& (b) Yes madam. Details of schemes being implemented by Ministry of Tribal Affairs are given at **Annexure-I**. Details of funds released and number of beneficiaries during last three years and current year under the above mentioned schemes is at **Annexure-I(a)** and **Annexure-I(b)** respectively.

(c) to (e) Yes Madam. Details of guidance given to candidates is as follows:

(i) Post Matric Scholarship: Respective State Governments through advertisement and Publicity create awareness about the Scheme.

(ii) The Scheme of National Overseas Scholarship (NOS) is advertised in the leading newspapers, Employment News and Web-site of the Ministry.

(iii) Scheme of Top Class Education for ST students: The Ministry under Top Class Education Scheme periodically writes to all the identified Institutes/IITs/ Medical Colleges etc. with a request to post the salient features of the Scholarship Scheme in their respective websites and notice Boards.

(iv) Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship for ST students: This scheme is implemented and publicised by the UGC through its website. Scheme is also advertised by UGC in leading newspapers and Employment News.

Annexure-I

Annexure referred to in reply of part (a) & (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question †1342 for answer on 25/07/2016 raised by Shri Anshul Verma, MP, regarding “Financial Assistance to Tribal Students”.

Details of schemes being implemented by Ministry of Tribal Affairs for higher education to Scheduled Tribes.

- i. The Post Matric Scholarship Scheme: This scheme is open to all ST students and is given to enable them to pursue higher studies at Post Matriculation level including technical and professional studies. This Scheme covers all ST students whose parents annual income is below Rs. 2,50,000/-. Compulsory fees charged by the educational institutions are reimbursed and scholarship amount of Rs. 230 per month to Rs. 1200 per month are given depending on the courses of study.
- ii. National Overseas Scholarship Scheme for higher studies abroad: This scheme provides financial assistance to selected students to pursue Post Graduation, PhD and Post Doctoral study abroad. There are 17 awards for scheduled tribe students and 3 awards for students belonging to Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups. The selected students are given tuition and other educational fees charged by the foreign universities, maintenance and other grants along with travel expenses. This fellowship is given to the students whose total annual income along with the income of the parents doesn't exceed Rs. 6 Lacs.
- iii. Scheme of Top Class Education for ST students: This scholarship is available for 1000 ST students for pursuing studies at degree and Post Graduate level in any of the 158 identified institutions of excellence such as IITs, NIITs, IIMs etc. Scholarships are given every year to meritorious students whose family income doesn't exceed Rs. 4.5 Lacs per year. Scholarship amount includes tuition fees, living expenses and allowances for books and computer etc.
- iv. Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship Scheme for ST students: Under this scheme 750 fellowships are provided to the ST students each year for pursuing higher studies in India for MPhil and PhD. Fellowship amount as per UGC norm are provided for a period of 2 to 5 years.

Annexure-I(a)

Annexure referred to in reply of part (a) & (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question †1342 for answer on 25/07/2016 raised by Shri Anshul Verma, MP, regarding “Financial Assistance to Tribal Students”

Details of Funds released to State Governments/UT Administrations under the Scheme of POST MATRIC SCHOLARSHIP FOR ST STUDENTS during the last three years and current financial year i.e. from 2013-14 to 2016-17.

(Rs. in lakh)

Sl. No.	NAME OF STATE/UT	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17 (as on 20.07.2016)
		Funds Released	Funds Released	Funds Released	Funds Released
1	Andhra Pradesh	4895.16	5070.01	1986.82	-
2	Arunachal Pradesh	1366.85	2.29	1137.61	-
3	Assam	4756.81	1114.00	6748.28	-
4	Bihar	23.00	23.00	0.00	-
5	Chhattisgarh	1341.48	4066.75	4764.83	-
6	Goa	2.00	2.00	356.00	-
7	Gujarat	7138.58	3929.23	5520.40	-
8	Himachal Pradesh	282.83	237.00	1350.00	-
9	Jammu & Kashmir	177.00	2494.17	2494.17	-
10	Jharkhand	2043.23	4927.23	0.00	-
11	Karnataka	3340.76	3691.00	5839.00	-
12	Kerala	625.53	647.00	0.00	-
13	Madhya Pradesh	5276.71	2385.00	3065.00	-
14	Maharashtra	11996.04	7451.83	5209.83	-
15	Manipur	6111.01	3615.48	3588.00	-
16	Meghalaya	3438.00	438.00	3274.61	-
17	Mizoram	5393.89	4501.15	4927.91	-
18	Nagaland	2626.19	2329.59	2646.34	-
19	Odisha	3459.87	4512.00	4050.00	-
20	Rajasthan	2216.02	6440.00	10890.43	6500.00

Sl. No.	NAME OF STATE/UT	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17 (as on 20.07.2016)
		Funds Released	Funds Released	Funds Released	Funds Released
21	Sikkim	845.49	414.00	400.00	-
22	Tamil Nadu	1436.02	44.00	2266.86	-
23	Telangana	0.00	12329.88	9650.00	-
24	Tripura	1390.99	974.82	1700.00	-
25	Uttar Pradesh	56.00	56.00	0.00	-
26	Uttrakhand	1086.50	164.00	900.00	-
27	West Bengal	2277.63	237.00	2948.46	-
28	A.& N. Islands	0.75	0.75	0.00	-
29	Daman & Diu	10.90	1.00	0.00	-
	Total	73615.24	72098.18	85714.55	6500.00

Details of Funds released to Ministry of External Affairs under the scheme of NATIONAL OVERSEAS SCHOLARSHIP (NOS) during last three years i.e. 2013-14 to 2016-17.			
(Rs. in lakh)			
2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Fund released	Fund released	Fund released	Fund released
68.00	99.13	39.04	0.00

Details of Funds released to concerned institutes under the scheme of TOP CLASS EDUCATION FOR ST STUDENTS during last three years i.e. 2013-14 to 2016-17.			
(Rs. in lakh)			
2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Fund released	Fund released	Fund released	Fund released
950.00	1849.85	1552.32	191.35

Details of Funds released to University Grants Commission under the scheme of RAJIV GANDHI NATIONAL FELLOWSHIP for ST students (RGNF) during last three years i.e. 2013-14 to 2016-17.			
(Rs. in lakh)			
2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Fund released	Fund released	Fund released	Fund released
0	0	3138.76	0

Annexure-I(b)

Annexure referred to in reply of part (a) & (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question †1342 for answer on 25/07/2016 raised by Shri Anshul Verma, MP, regarding “Financial Assistance to Tribal Students”

State-wise number of beneficiaries covered under the scheme of POST MATRIC SCHOLARSHIP FOR ST STUDENTS during the year 2013-14 to 2016-17.

SL. No.	NAME OF STATE/UT	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
		No. of beneficiaries	No. of beneficiaries	No. of beneficiaries
1	Andhra Pradesh	229360	82091	49239
2	Arunachal Pradesh	630	630	N.A.
3	Assam	102800	102800	116693
4	Bihar	6463	6463	N.A.
5	Chhattisgarh	106231	139447	148660
6	Goa	1332	1332	4270
7	Gujarat	218570	218570	163989
8	Himachal Pradesh	5189	5189	8079
9	Jammu & Kashmir	18700	21000	21000
10	Jharkhand	72878	81768	N.A.
11	Karnataka	132376	134988	140891
12	Kerala	12705	13225	N.A.
13	Madhya Pradesh	192437	188145	197176
14	Maharashtra	178146	175000	175000
15	Manipur	53965	57828	66928
16	Meghalaya	79011	79011	74608
17	Mizoram	56873	62410	57330
18	Nagaland	39867	40133	45140
19	Odisha	89115	130960	165100
20	Rajasthan	288020	246249	275669
21	Sikkim	2643	2705	3053
22	Tamil Nadu	11092	11092	20060
23	Telangana	N.A.	171329	171329
24	Tripura	24270	22261	28374
25	Uttar Pradesh	7500	7500	N.A.
26	Uttarakhand	24812	25269	27796
27	West Bengal	79230	79230	73357
28	A. & N. Islands	28	148	N.A.
29	Daman & Diu	320	320	N.A.
	Total	2034563	2107093	2033741

For 2016-17, students will be getting scholarship through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT).

Details of beneficiaries under the Scheme of NATIONAL OVERSEAS SCHOLARSHIP for ST Candidates from 2013-14 to 2016-17

Sl. No.	Year	No. of Selected candidates
1	2013-14	9
2	2014-15	21
3	2015-16	0
4	2016-17	0

Details of beneficiaries under the scheme of TOP CLASS EDUCATION during 2013-14 to 2016-17.

2013-14 Beneficiaries	2014-15 Beneficiaries	2015-16 Beneficiaries	2016-17 Beneficiaries
521	688	1017	166

Detail of Beneficiaries under the scheme of RAJIV GANDHI NATIONAL FELLOWSHIP (RGNF) during 2013-14 to 2016-17.

2013-14 Beneficiaries	2014-15 Beneficiaries	2015-16 Beneficiaries	2016-17 Beneficiaries
3335	3335	1408	842

Note: Since above mentioned schemes are Central Sector Schemes, hence, state-wise details not available.
