

**Post matric scholarship and hostels for SC**

†2138. DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the share of Government for construction of post-matric scholarship and hostel buildings for the students of Scheduled Castes and by when it will be increased and to what extent; and

(b) the standard norms fixed for post-matric scholarship for the SC students and arrangement of food, dwelling and maintenance in the hostels, to what extent number of hostels will be increased for providing additional initiative in the context of education of women ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI VIJAY SAMPLA): (a) The Post-matric Scholarship Scheme for Scheduled Caste (PMS-SC) students is a centrally sponsored scheme. 100% admissible central assistance is released to States/UTs under the Scheme over and above their respective committed liability. North-eastern states have been, however, exempted from the committed liability.

Under Centrally Sponsored Scheme, Babu Jagjivan Ram Chhatrawas Yojana (BJRCY) Central assistance is released to the implementing agencies for construction of new hostel buildings/expansion of existing hostel facilities for SC students. The funding pattern under the Scheme is as under:

100% central assistance is released to State Government/UT Administrations and Central and State Universities for construction of Hostels for SC girls. 90% central assistance is released to Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) and deemed Universities only for expansion of their existing hostel facilities.

For construction of Hostels for SC Boys, 50% Central assistance is provided to State Government on matching share basis, 100% to UT Administrations, 90% to the Central Universities/Institutions and 45% to State Universities/Institutions. For expansion of existing hostel facilities, NGOs and Deemed Universities are given 45% of Central assistance.

(b) Under PMS-SC, scholarship amount, *inter-alia*, includes maintenance allowance, reimbursement of non-refundable compulsory fee charged by educational institutions, book bank facility and other allowances.

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Group wise maintenance allowance in four different groups is given to Hostellers and Day Scholars as per details given below.:

(in ₹ per month)		
Group	Hostellers	Day Schoars
I	1200	550
II	820	530
III	570	300
IV	380	230

The scholarships are available for studying in India only and are awarded by the Government of the States/Union Territories to which the applicant actually belongs to. It is an open ended Scheme and all the eligible women candidates are inter-alia, entitled for the scholarship.

During 2014-15, budget allocation of ₹50 crore has been made for construction of SC hostels for girls under the BJRCY.

Responsibility for maintenance of the hostels lies on the implementing agencies. However, one time grant of ₹2500/- is provided towards purchase of a cot, a table and a chair for each student.

#### **Enrolment of children with disability**

2139. SHRI AVINASH PANDE: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of children with disabilities enrolled in Government run schools and the State-wise breakup thereof; and

(b) the percentage of children with disabilities as against the total number of children enrolled in Government schools and the State-wise breakup thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI KRISHAN PAL): (a) and (b) According to the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Department of School Education and Literacy, as per the Unified-District Information System for Education (U-DISE) 2013-14, 25.03 lakh Children with Special Needs (CWSN) are enrolled in schools. Besides, 2.06 lakh severe/profound CWSN are covered under Home Based Education (HBE). These together account for 1.36% of total enrolment of all children. The State-wise details on enrolment of CWSN are given in the Statement (*See below*). Under the Sarva Shiksha