

Funds for TISS, Hyderabad

2482. SHRI BINOY VISWAM: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a decrease in funds allocated by UGC to Tata Institute of Social Science (TISS), Hyderabad for infrastructural development and scholarships and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) whether due to this TISS has decided to scrap the residential facility and deferment of Bachelors course, and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether decrease in funds has had any impact on students coming from backward community and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. SATYA PAL SINGH): (a) As informed by University Grants Commission (UGC), the Tata Institute of Social Science (TISS), Hyderabad campus was approved with no financial commitment from UGC. TISS, Hyderabad has now submitted a budget proposal to UGC for funding requirement for the infrastructure of the campus over a three year period from 2019-20 onwards.

However, UGC has been making regular grants towards infrastructural development and scholarships to TISS, Mumbai. The amounts released in the last 3 years are as follows:

	(₹ in lakhs)		
	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
For Scholarship	328.36	659.02	702.38
Capital and General Development Assistance	1243.36	450.00	534.84
Revenue Grant	4437.59	6171.14	7818.00
TOTAL	6009.31	7280.16	9055.22

(b) and (c) There is no residential facility available with TISS. The Institute only facilitates hired accommodation in and around the campus, for which the students of the batches from 2018-19 onwards are required to pay the charges directly to the service provider. The hostel and dining hall charges of the eligible GOI-PMS of SC/ST/OBC community students admitted prior to the 2018-19 batches are, however, being met by the Institute.