Disability (PWD)) that attended private universities is 26,87,363 and the total number of students belonging to the reserved categories in affiliated and constituents colleges (both public and private colleges) of public universities are 1,58,31,141.

The Policy envisions ensuring equitable access to quality education to all students, with a special emphasis on Socio-Economically Disadvantaged Groups (SEDGs) by earmarking suitable Government funds for the education of SEDGs, setting clear targets for higher Gross Enrollment Ratio (GER) for SEDGs, enhancing gender balance in admissions to HEIs, providing more financial assistance and scholarships to SEDGs in both public and private HEIs, conducting outreach programmes on higher education opportunities and scholarships among SEDGs etc.

1323. The Question was cancelled.

Assistance to States/UTs under Mid-Day Meal Scheme

1324. SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- the year-wise details of assistance provided to various States/UTs by Government under the Mid-Day Meal Scheme during the past three years;
- the criteria adopted for determining the Central assistance under the scheme and whether the said criteria is uniform for all the States/UTs; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the monitoring mechanism adopted by Government toensure funds utilisation as well as implementation of the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK'): (a) The State and UT-wise details of assistance provided under Mid-Day Meal Scheme (MDMS) during the last 3 years are given in the Statement (See below).

(b) and (c) The sharing pattern of funds released under the scheme is as given below:-

| States/UTs | Sharing Pattern between Centre and States/UTs |
|--|--|
| North Eastern Region (NER) States, Himalayan States of Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh and UT of Jammu and Kashmir | 90:10 |
| UTs without Legislature | 100% Central Assistance |
| UTs with Legislature & other States | 60:40 |

(₹ in lakhs)

The Government has adopted an elaborate monitoring mechanism at Central, State and District levels to ensure funds utilization as well as implementation of the Scheme. At national level, an Empowered Committee, headed by Minister of Education and also a National level Steering-cum-Monitoring Committee (NSMC) as well as Programme Approval Board (PAB) monitor the scheme and suggest measures for its smooth and effective implementation.

At the State level, a State level Steering-cum-Monitoring Committee headed by the State Chief Secretary and, at the District Level, a District Level Committee under the Chairpersonship of the senior-most Member of Parliament of Lok Sabha from the district monitors the implementation of the scheme.

At local level Gram Panchayats/Gram Sabhas, members of Village Education Committees (VECs), Parent-Teacher Associations (PTAs) and the School Management Committees (SMCs) monitor the regularity and wholesomeness of the mid-day meal served to children, cleanliness in cooking and serving of themeal, timeliness in procurement of good quality ingredients, fuel, etc., implementation of variety in menu so as to make it attractive to children and ensuring social and gender equity on daily basis. In addition to directing States and UTs to carry out Social Audit, the Centre constitutes Joint Review Missions (JRMs) to review the scheme through field visits from time to time.

Statement

Central Assistance provided during last 3 years under Mid-Day Meal Scheme

| S1. N | o. State/UT | Central | Central | Central |
|-------|-------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | | Assistance | Assistance | Assistance |
| | | Allocated/ | Allocated/ | Allocated/ |
| | | Released | Released | Released |
| | | 2017-18 | 2018-19 | 2019-20 |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 1. | Andhra Pradesh | 25713.85 | 25748.17 | 28563.77 |
| 2. | Arunachal Pradesh | 2551.75 | 2506.03 | 2367.90 |
| 3. | Assam | 52903.47 | 51982.21 | 55325.82 |
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| 64 | Written Answers to | [RAJYA SABHA] | Unstarred Questions | |
|-----|--------------------|---------------|---------------------|-----------|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 4. | Bihar | 97871.58 | 112448.94 | 109313.34 |
| 5. | Chhattisgarh | 27683.33 | 32085.98 | 25489.23 |
| 6. | Goa | 1230.93 | 1309.07 | 1276.05 |
| 7. | Gujarat | 40429.86 | 42351.63 | 39287.11 |
| 8. | Haryana | 9953.83 | 13218.95 | 10889.91 |
| 9. | Himachal Pradesh | 8684.1 | 8021.30 | 7557.54 |
| 10. | Jammu and Kashmir | 6328.69 | 10665.80 | 2666.45 |
| 11. | Jharkhand | 30332.59 | 33242.99 | 32310.90 |
| 12. | Karnataka | 44788.57 | 40707.67 | 52056.79 |
| 13. | Kerala | 32978.36 | 19856.63 | 19962.41 |
| 14. | Madhya Pradesh | 58098.87 | 56191.95 | 50407.62 |
| 15. | Maharashtra | 80310.7 | 98185.46 | 99468.82 |
| 16. | Manipur | 2479.76 | 2050.81 | 2192.30 |
| 17. | Meghalaya | 6486.73 | 7734.39 | 7835.83 |
| 18. | Mizoram | 2018.32 | 1889.23 | 2047.93 |
| 19. | Nagaland | 1776.42 | 2861.95 | 2279.38 |
| 20. | Odisha | 41927.41 | 39556.93 | 40358.68 |
| 21. | Punjab | 14330.59 | 15249.99 | 13855.77 |
| 22. | Rajasthan | 41107.05 | 42043.30 | 47252.76 |
| 23. | Sikkim | 881.12 | 881.15 | 817.45 |
| 24 | Tamil Nadu | 42506.34 | 42054.58 | 43121.49 |
| 25. | Telangana | 15494.76 | 15757.34 | 18821.14 |
| 26. | Tripura | 5119.04 | 5339.03 | 5598.51 |
| 27. | Uttarakhand | 9714.2 | 9478.27 | 10273.31 |
| 28. | Uttar Pradesh | 100475.08 | 112771.60 | 118201.96 |

Appointment and promotion of SCs/STs and OBCs in Central University, Kalaburgi

1325. SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Central University of Karnataka in Kalaburagi has maintained and implemented a roster system for SCs/STs/OBCs and other sections which are entitled for their appointment/promotion, etc.;
- (b) whether there is any backlog vacancy to be filled up both for regular appointments and also for promotions in Central University of Karnataka, Kalaburagi;
- (c) details of action taken by the Central University of Karnataka Kalaburagi in this regard;
- (d) total number of teaching and non-teaching staff, department-wise, working in Central University of Karnataka, Kalaburagi; and
- (e) whether the Central University of Karnataka, Kalaburagi is having required staff for smooth running of the university, if not, the measures taken so far?