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DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

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UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 362
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20th JULY, 2022

Scholarships in different courses

362. SHRI SANJEEV ARORA:
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Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of scholarships in Engineering and Technology and Sciences, Humanities and Social Sciences that have been disbursed during the last three years;
- (b) the number of Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) scholarships disbursed by UGC during the last three years;
- (c) the details of funds allocated and utilized by UGC for award of fellowships to SC, ST and minority students during the last three years, year-wise and category-wise, separately; and
- (d) whether instances of irregularities have been reported in UGC regarding grant of fellowships to students and if so, the details thereof and the action taken in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
(DR. SUBHAS SARKAR)

(a): The number of scholarships in Engineering and Technology and Sciences, Humanities and Social Sciences that have been disbursed during the last three years is available at web-link www.education.gov.in/en/parl_ques

(b): The University Grants Commission (UGC) has informed that the number of Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) scholarships disbursed by UGC during 2019-20, 2020-21 & 2021-22 are 26873, 24319 & 27501 respectively.

(c) & (d): The UGC has informed that the funds utilized by UGC under fellowship schemes for SC, ST and minority students during the last three years, year-wise and category-wise are as under:

Funds utilized under Fellowship Schemes (Rs. Crore)			
Year	SC	ST	Minority(for Maulana Azad National Fellowship Scheme)
2019-20	383.18	71.76	110.30
2020-21	302.04	71.38	97.10
2021-22	309.12	81.95	78.15

Note: In other fellowship schemes of the UGC, the scholarships are provided to all eligible students including minorities.

The payment of fellowships is done by Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) mode through a dedicated portal on the basis of up-dation of monthly confirmation on the portal by the respective institution.
