

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CORPORATE AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:194  
ANSWERED ON:16.11.2007  
KARTIKA SAKA STUDENTS UNDERGOING CA COURSES  
Kharventhan Shri Salarapatty Kuppusamy

**Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the number of students in the country presently undergoing the course of Chartered Accountant;
- (b) whether any proposal is under consideration of the Government to grant nod to CA students for doing articleship with non-audit companies;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the amount of stipend presently being provided to CA student;
- (e) whether there is also a proposal to increase the stipend of CA student from the existing level;
- (f) if so, the details thereof; and
- (g) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS (SHRI PREM CHAND GUPTA)

- (a) The number of students in the country presently undergoing the course of Chartered Accountants with the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India is 5,04,962.
- (b) No, Sir.
- (c) Does not arise.
- (d) The rates of minimum monthly stipend payable to an articled assistant are as follows: -  
Classification of the normal place of service of the articled assistant
  - (1) During the first year of training
  - (2) During the second year of training
  - (3) During the remaining period of training
  - (4)
    - (i) Cities/towns having a population of twenty lakhs and above. Rs. 1000/- Rs. 1250/-Rs. 1500/-
    - (ii) Cities/towns having a population of four lakhs and above but less than twenty lakhs. Rs. 750/-Rs. 1000/- Rs. 1250/-
    - (iii) Cities/towns having a population of less than four lakhs. Rs. 500/- Rs. 750/- Rs. 1000/-
- (e) No, Sir.
- (f) Does not arise.
- (g) The existing rates of stipend have been made effective from 17th August, 2007 only.