

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government had announced any stipend to each girl student belonging to dalit and general category, studying in secondary schools;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which the allocation is likely to be made for this purpose and the number of girl students likely to be benefited?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (Dr. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) to (c) The Ministry of Human Resource Development has launched a Centrally Sponsored Scheme called "National Scheme of Incentive to Girls for Secondary Education" in 2008-09 covering all SC/ST girls and all the girls of Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBV) who complete class VIII successfully and enroll in class IX in Government, Government-aided and local body schools. At the time of enrollment the girls should be unmarried and below 16 years of age. A sum of rS 3000/- is kept as a fixed deposit in the name of the eligible girls who are entitled to withdraw it along with interest on reaching 18 years of age and passing X class examination. Under the scheme, a sum of rS 234.18 crore has been sanctioned in favour of 780618 girls so far since launch of the scheme.