

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA**

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SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT LINKED WITH PRICE INDEX

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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to link the amount of scholarship granted to the students belonging to the Scheduled Castes with price index under various welfare schemes;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) the details of requests received by the Union Government from various social organizations/public representatives in this regard; and

(d) the follow-up action taken or being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRID. NAPOLEON)

(a) & (b): No such progress is under consideration of the Government, presently. However, Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Post Matric Scholarship for Scheduled Caste students has provision for linking parental/guardian's income ceiling with consumer price index for Industrial workers.

(c) & (d): Suggestions to enhance the rates of Scholarships are received from various corners from time to time. These concerns are addressed while revising the Schemes, at periodical intervals.