

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY  
LOK SABHA**

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WOMEN SCIENTISTS SCHEME  
Bajwa Shri Partap Singh

**Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Women Scientists Scholarship Scheme (WSSS) undertaken by his Ministry has yielded any tangible results in inducting women scientists in the field of science;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, subject-wise; and
- (c) the total amount of scholarships dispensed under all the scholarship schemes?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF EARTH SCIENCES (S. JAIPAL REDDY)

(a) Yes Madam.

(b) The women Scientists Scholarship Scheme (WSSS) undertaken by the Ministry of Science and Technology has yielded tangible results for inducting women scientists in the field of Science. The number of scholarships awarded so far subject wise are: Biotechnology (60), Earth & Atmospheric Sciences (92), Engineering Sciences (176), Physical & Mathematical Sciences (199), Chemical Sciences (221), Life Sciences (820), Livelihood Generation and Development of Rural Technology (300) and Self employment in Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) (310). Out of all Women Fellowship Scientists, about 35% women got position in different sectors like R&D institution, Colleges, Universities, Public Sectors, Intellectual Property firms etc.

(c) The total amount dispensed under the scholarship schemes till date is Rs. 205 crores.