

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2431
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STIPEND TO ST STUDENTS
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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the rate of stipend given to ST students for pre-matric and post-matric studies;
- (b) whether there is any proposal for increasing the existing stipend;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SMT. RANEE NARAH)

(a): The rates of stipend given to ST students under the Schemes of Pre-Matric Scholarship for ST students studying in classes IX & X and Post Matric Scholarship are given below:

Pre-Matric Scholarship	Post Matric Scholarship
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Central Assistance under the Scheme includes scholarship and other grants. The rates of Scholarships are Rs. 150/-per month for day scholars and Rs. 350/- per month for hostellers, for a period of 10 months in a year and books and adhoc grant of Rs.750/ per year for day scholars and Rs.1000/- per year for hostellers. Additional allowance for ST students with disabilities is also admissible to those students who are studying in private unaided recognized schools only.	Central Assistance under the Scheme includes maintenance allowance, reader charges of blind students, study tour charges, thesis typing/printing charges, book allowance to students pursuing correspondence course and reimbursement of compulsory non -refundable fees charges by the educational institutions.The maintenance allowance for Hostellers is between Rs. 380/- p.m. to Rs. 1200/- and for DayScholars from Rs. 230/- p.m. to Rs. 500/-p.m.,depending upon the level of courses.
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(b) No, Madam,

(c) Does not arise.

(d) The Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme has been recently introduced with effect from 01-07-2012.The Post Matric Scholarship Scheme was also revised during 2011-12, with retrospective effect from 01-07-2010.