

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

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SUBSIDY ON EDUCATION LOANS
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Government provides/ proposes to provide any interest subsidy to students especially those belonging to the weaker section on education loans;
- (b) If so, the details thereof indicating the number of students provided such subsidy during the last three years and the and the current year, year and state/ UT-wise; and
- (c) If not the reasons there for.

Answer

(MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE) (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) Yes Madam. Under the Central Scheme to provide Interest Subsidy (CSIS), full interest subsidy is provided during the period of moratorium (Course period plus one year or six months after getting the job, whichever is earlier) on education loans taken by students belonging to economically weaker sections from scheduled banks under the education loan scheme of Indian Banks Association for pursuing approved courses of studies in technical and professional streams from recognized institutions in India. The loan should be disbursed after 1st April, 2009 and the annual gross parental/ family income upper limit should be Rs. 4.5 lakh from all sources.

(b) & (c) Canara Bank, the Nodal Bank for implementing the scheme has informed that interest subsidy of Rs.2231.24 crores has been provided to 25.26 lakh students under the scheme. State wise details are annexed.