

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

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SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME FOR J K STUDENTS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any scholarship scheme for the students of Jammu and Kashmir to pursue the degree courses under various institutes recognized by the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE);
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the number of students benefitted by availing scholarship during the last three years;
- (c) the details of applications received by Government for AICTE scholarships for the academic year 2013-14 and the number of students granted scholarship under the scheme;
- (d) whether the Government has received any complaints against some NGOs for misuse of scheme; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government against erring organizations?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (Dr. SHASHI THAROOR)

(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) & (c) The Special Scholarship Scheme for Jammu and Kashmir has been launched since 2011. The Scheme aims to provide tuition fees, hostel fees, cost of books and other incidental charges to 5000 students per year belonging to Jammu & Kashmir who, after passing Class XII or equivalent examination through the State Board of Jammu & Kashmir and from Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) affiliated schools located in Jammu & Kashmir.

The Rate of Scholarships is as under:

Tuition Fees: Upto Rs.30,000/- per annum for general degree courses.

OR

Upto Rs.1.25 lakhs per annum for engineering courses.

OR

Upto Rs.3.00 lakhs per annum for medical studies, including Bachelor of Dental Surgery.

In addition to this, hostel fees and incidentals will also be given for all categories of courses. The ceiling for this will be Rs. 1 lakh per annum.

In the first year (2011-12) of the Scheme scholarships were awarded to 38 eligible students. In 2012-2013, 3340 candidates had been found eligible and scholarships have already been released to the Institutes for 2858 candidates.

For the year 2013-14 the total number of application received by AICTE was 6706 out of which in the IMC meeting held on 08/11/2013, 1502 cases were cleared. Another additional 2245 eligible candidates are being considered.

(d) & (e) The State Government of Jammu & Kashmir has informed the Ministry that there have been reports alleging that some NGOs have misled the students from J&K and an inquiry has been ordered by the State CID to investigate the role of various NGOs in the Scheme.