

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

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CASH PRIZE TO SCHOOL CHILDREN
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government/ Central Board of Secondary Education had announced a cash prize of rupees one lakh to each student of Government schools scoring more than 90% in the board examination during the year 2012-13; and

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the amount distributed to such meritorious students in the said year?

Answer

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

(a) and (b): Yes, Madam. The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has announced a scheme of cash reward namely CBSE REWARD SCHEME FOR MERITORIOUS STUDENTS HAVING PASSED CLASS XII FROM GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS AFFILIATED TO CBSE. Under the scheme, cash reward of Rupees one lakh was given to each of the top 199 eligible students. The awards were equally divided between Science, Commerce, Humanities and Vocational streams and only the students who studied in Government Schools affiliated with the CBSE at least from class-IX to XII in the states/UTs were eligible. The scheme was launched in the year 2013 and a total of Rs 1.99 crore was distributed to the students.