

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2154  
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SMALL SAVINGS SCHEMES .  
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**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of small savings schemes that are operational in the country along with the minimum requirements for customers to avail benefits of these schemes;
- (b) whether the Government has found that people from the weaker sections of society are unable to avail the benefits of small savings schemes due to stringent criteria; and
- (c) if so, the steps taken by the Government to ensure that people from weaker sections of society avail the benefits?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. (SMT.) KILLI KRUPARANI)

(a) Madam, the details of Small Savings Scheme which are operational in the country along with the minimum requirement for investment is given below:-

S. No.	Name of Scheme	Minimum requirement for investment/transaction ( in Rs)
1	Basic Savings Account	0.00
2	Recurring Deposit Account	10.00
3	Savings Account	20.00
4	National Savings Certificates (VIII Issue)	100.00
5	National Savings Certificates (IX Issue)	100.00
6	Time Deposit Account (1,2,3 & 5 Year)	200.00
7	Public Provident Fund	500.00
8	Sr. Citizen Savings Scheme	1000.00
9	Monthly Income Account	1500.00

(b) No, Madam

(C) Does not arise in view of (b) above.