

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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SCHOLARSHIP FOR TRIBAL STUDENTS

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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of male and female students benefited under the scholarship schemes being implemented by the Government for the educational development of tribal students during each of the last three years and the current year, state/UT-wise;
- (b) the eligibility criteria adopted by the Government for providing scholarship to tribal students;
- (c) whether there is any proposal to review the said criteria;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government also proposes to enhance the number of scholarship under the schemes, particularly Post-Matric Scholarship schemes; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a): The Ministry of Tribal Affairs implements two scholarship schemes viz

(i) Post-Matric Scholarship &

(ii) Pre-Matric Scholarship which are implemented through State/ UT Administration. The details of beneficiaries during the last three years and current year is given at Annexure – I & II.

(b): All Scheduled Tribe students who have passed the matriculation or higher secondary or any higher examination of a recognized University or Board of Secondary Education and whose parental income from all sources does not exceed Rs. 2.50 lakh per annum are eligible for Scholarship under the scheme of Post-Matric scholarship for ST students.

In the case of Pre-Matric scholarship, all regular, full time ST students studying in classes IX & X in a Government School or in a School recognized by Govt. or a Central/State Board of Secondary Education and whose parental income from all sources is upto Rs. 2.00 lakh per annum are eligible.

(c) & (d): Under the scheme of Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Post-Matric Scholarship for ST students, the parental income has been revised from Rs.2.00 lakh to Rs.2.50 lakh w.e.f. 1.4.2013. There is no proposal to review the eligibility criteria under the scheme of Pre-Matric Scholarship till date.

(e): Under the schemes of Pre-Matric and Post-Matric Scholarships for ST students, the number of scholarships is not fixed. Both these schemes are need based and demand driven and the number of scholarships awarded each year depends upon the proposals received from the State Govt./UT Administration.

(f): Does not arise.