

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA**

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GENDER PARITY
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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government had initiated a scheme to provide platform for enhancing gender parity in Indian science;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the formula evolved by the Government to provide grants, loans and other financial assistance along with the contribution of financial participation of the State Governments in each scheme;
- (d) the names of the schemes in various States including Rajasthan implemented directly by the Ministry or by the Government of Rajasthan or through the voluntary organizations during the last three years; and
- (e) the details of the funds provided by the Union Government as grants, loans or financial assistance for these schemes during the said period, year-wise, scheme-wise and agency-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES (SHRI Y.S. CHOWDARY)

- (a) Yes, Madam.
- (b) The Government has initiated a scheme titled KIRAN (Knowledge Involvement in Research Advancement through Nurturing) to enhance the participation of women in science by enlarging the scope of existing gender parity initiatives for greater outreach of schemes, with added new components.
- (c) All the components of KIRAN are being implemented through grants-in-aid provided by the Ministry directly to Academic Institutions, voluntary organizations and R & D Institutions.
- (d) & (e): Details of funds given to various organizations during the last three years in various States including Rajasthan, scheme-wise are as follows:

Sl. No.	Name of the Scheme	Financial Year (Amount in Rs. lakhs)		
		2012-13	2013-14	2014-15
1.	Women Scientists Scheme Rajasthan	3172.88	48.00	3831.97
		19.00	3845.21	145.25
2.	S&T for Women Rajasthan	669.15	1.55	196.53
		0.00	322.93	7.55
3.	Consolidation of University Reserch for Innovtion and Excellance in Women Universities (CURIE) Rajasthan	307.00	212.00	117.00
		14.00	117.00	117.00
4.	Biotechnology Career Advancement and Re-orientation Programme for Women Scientists (Bio-CARe) scheme Rajasthan	54.35	0.00	204.79
		25.83	885.00	0.00
5.	Technology Development & Utilization Programme for Women (TDUPW) Rajasthan	32.68	0.00	31.49
		0.00	8.56	0.00