

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No.1938
TO BE ANSWERED ON 30.07.2018

Higher Education

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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is finding it difficult to ensure sustained enrolment of socially disadvantaged students in higher education and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether there is a sharp dip in the rate of growth in enrolment of Scheduled Caste (SC) and Scheduled Tribe (ST) students in higher education over the past four years and if so, the reasons therefor;and

(c) the remedial steps taken by the Government so that Universities can take affirmative action to retain them?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(Dr. SATYA PAL SINGH)

(a) to (c): No, Madam. As per All India Survey on Higher Education Report 2016-17, the number of Scheduled Castes & Scheduled Tribes Students enrolled in Higher Education is showing constant increase from 2013-14 to 2016-17 as under:

Year	SCHEDULED CASTE	SCHEDULED TRIBE
	% to Total Enrolment	% to Total Enrolment
2013-14	13.1	4.6
2014-15	13.44	4.8
2015-16	13.9	4.9
2016-17	14.2	5.1
