

To,

The Under Secretary

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Ministry of Human Resource Development
External Scholarship Division
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Subject: *Lok Sabha Unstarred Question Dy. No. 158 for 9.07.2014 regarding "Financial Assistance to EWS students" raised by Smt. Kamla Devi Paatile,MP*

Sir,

The reply for the above mentioned Lok Sabha Question approved by Competent Authority is as follows:-

S.No.	Question	Answer
a)	Whether the Government proposes to provide financial assistance to the students belonging to economically weaker sections for studying abroad;	a)to d) The proposal to provide financial assistance to the students belonging to economically weaker sections for studying abroad, MHRD may reply.
b)	If so, the details thereof,	However, AICTE has also taken the following initiatives for the benefit of students: 1. AICTE has a scheme of Tuition Fee Waiver (TFW) for sons & daughter of parents having annual income of less than Rs. 6.0 lakhs from all sources which is mandatory for all AICTE approved technical institutions offering Bachelor programme, Diploma, Post Diploma programmes. 5% of sanctioned intake per course is supernumerary in nature and are available for these admissions. The tuition fee waiver scheme is also applicable to institutions set up by the section 25 companies act and approved by AICTE.
c)	The details of policies/schemes adopted by the Government in this regard;	
d)	The number of students likely to get benefitted under the said policies; and	

		<p>2. Post Graduate scholarship is granted to GATE qualified ME/M.Tech students and GPAT qualified M.Pharm students.</p> <p>3. AICTE has introduced the scholarship scheme for girl child from 2014-15. The objective of the scheme is “One girl per family where family income is less than 6 lakhs/annum. The candidates will be selected on merit at the qualifying examination to pursue technical education from amongst such candidates and implemented by the authorized admission centre of the respective State Government. Under this scheme total number of scholarships available per annum:4000.”</p> <p>4. AICTE has introduced the one more scholarship scheme for differently abled children during 2014-15. The candidates will be selected on merit at the qualifying examination to pursue technical education from amongst such candidates and implemented by the authorized admission center of the respective State Governments. Under this scheme total number of scholarships available per annum:1000.</p>
e)	The details of funds allocated for the said purpose by the Government during the current year?	As far as serial no.1 is concerned the seats mentioned are supernumerary and hence the institutions need to take care of this. Expenditure on account of scheme at serial no.2 above shall be met out of plan funds for the scheme at serial no. 3 and 4 expenditure shall be met out of the non planned fund.

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