

PARLIAMENT QUESTION: INSPIRE-SHE SCHOLARSHIP FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

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The Government has not shelved its flagship INSPIRE-SHE (Scholarship for Higher Education) Scheme. The scheme is presently under redesign to further strengthen its objectives, improve its implementation framework, and align it with emerging priorities in science education and research.

The state-wise details of the total scholarship amount disbursed and the number of students benefitted under the scheme since its inception are given below:

S. No.	State/UTs	Students benefitted	Amount disbursed (Rs.in Cr.)
1	Andaman And Nicobar Islands	02	0.06
2	Andhra Pradesh	1059	14.82
3	Assam	1043	23.66
4	Bihar	3136	48.39
5	Chandigarh	1290	13.91
6	Chhattisgarh	2531	53.13
7	Delhi	670	28.71
8	Goa	37	0.97
9	Gujarat	1045	24.23
10	Haryana	2044	42.34
11	Himachal Pradesh	2219	42.16
12	Jammu And Kashmir	251	6.03

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13	Jharkhand	451	9.83
14	Karnataka	26164	157.37
15	Kerala	5393	108.22
16	Madhya Pradesh	7795	133.75
17	Maharashtra	5487	103.22
18	Manipur	1452	21.62
19	Meghalaya	319	5.38
20	Mizoram	39	0.59
21	Nagaland	156	2.86
22	Odisha	2385	35.35
23	Punjab	859	20.17
24	Puducherry	13	0.25
25	Rajasthan	23467	472.57
26	Sikkim	1	0.018
27	Tamil Nadu	384	6.51
28	Telangana	269	6.32
29	The Dadra & Nagar Haveli & Daman & Diu	2	0.02
30	Tripura	18	0.74
31	Uttar Pradesh	60263	916.64
32	Uttarakhand	6554	131.31

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33	West Bengal	15958	353.00
Total		136298	2784.15

The Government supports Indian students pursuing scientific research abroad through several scholarship schemes. Under the INSPIRE-SHE Mentorship Grant of the Department of Science and Technology (DST), 271 scholars have successfully completed summer research mentorship project abroad so far. The Water Advanced Research and Innovation (WARI) Fellowship, implemented by DST in collaboration with the Indo-U.S. Science and Technology Forum (IUSSTF), enables young researchers to undertake advanced water research at leading U.S. institutions, with 63 participants (43 interns and 20 fellows) supported across two phases. Additionally, the National Overseas Scholarship Scheme of Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment provide financial assistance to eligible persons with benchmark disabilities to pursue Master's and Ph.D. programmes, including scientific research, at foreign universities, under which 55 beneficiaries have pursued Ph.D. studies abroad during the last five years.

This information was given by the Minister of State (Ind. Charge) Science & Technology; Earth Sciences and Minister of State PMO; Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions; Department of Atomic Energy and Space Dr. Jitendra Singh in a written reply in Rajya Sabha today.

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