

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
DEPARTMENT OF EMPOWERMENT OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (DIVYANGJAN)

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION No.2083
TO BE ANSWERED ON. 31.07.2018

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO DISABLED CHILDREN

**2083: SHRI JUGAL KISHORE:
SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:**

Will the **Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT** be please to state :

- (a) Whether any scheme for providing financial assistance to the disabled children/persons and their family members in the country particularly in Jammu and Kashmir and Madhya Pradesh is under consideration of the Government; and
- (b) If so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

(SHRI KRISHANPAL GURJAR)

(a) and (b): The Central Government has Scholarship schemes namely Pre-matric, Post-matric, Top class, National fellowship, Free coaching and National overseas to provide scholarship to students with disabilities throughout the country. In addition, National Handicapped Finance and Development Corporation (NHFDC), a public sector unit, provides self employment loan for persons with disabilities. There is no scheme for providing financial assistance to the families of persons with disabilities. In the financial year 2017-18, Rs. 56.47 crores and Rs. 90.14 crores have been released for scholarships and self employment loan benefitting 21206 and 11767 persons with disabilities respectively.
