

Regarding educational scholarship to children of beedi workers in Tirunelveli, Tamil Nadu-laid

SHRI S. GNANATHIRAVIAM (TIRUNELVELI): The Union Government is providing educational scholarship for students in schools and colleges in the country through online portal. A large number of children of beedi workers of my constituency Tirunelveli have been affected by rejection of their applications for educational assistance in the academic year 2022-2023 by the District Nodal Officer without giving any reason. As a result, children of many beedi workers are likely to drop out of school, due to increase in educational fee. The educational scholarship for beedi worker's children must be given to all the eligible students and the online system further needs to be simplified with a support of school authorities. The educational institutions where the beedi worker's children are studying must be monitored and ensured that all the children are getting scholarship from the Government. Therefore, I urge upon the Government to look into the matter seriously and take suitable action on this matter.