

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1338

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PRIME MINISTER'S SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME FOR CHILDREN OF EX SERVICEMEN

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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government has launched a new Prime Minister's Scholarship scheme for children of ex-servicemen for technical and professional education;

(b) if so, the details of the scheme and its modus operandi; and

(c) the steps taken to implement the said scheme?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI M.M. PALLAM RAJU)

(a) to (c): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SBHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1338 FOR ANSWER ON 3.8.2006

A new scheme, "Prime Minister's Scholarship Scheme" is being implemented from the academic session 2006-2007, under which wards of ex-servicemen/widows will be given scholarships of Rs. 1250/- per month for boys and Rs. 1500/- per month for girls for various technical and professional courses at graduation level in the field of medicine, engineering, information technology, MBA, MCA etc., duly approved by All India Council for Technical Education/Medical Council of India etc. There will be 5000 scholarships in all, of which 4000 will be for the wards of ex-servicemen/widows from armed forces and 1000 for the wards of Central Para-Military Forces including Railway Protection Force.

2. The eligible wards can obtain the Brochure-cum-Application Form from Kendriya Sainik Board and Rajya Sainik Boards/Zila Sainik Boards. The completed application forms are to be dispatched directly to Secretary, Kendriya Sainik Board, New Delhi, so as to reach by 31st August. Selected applicants will be informed directly by Kendriya Sainik Board. The payment for the scholarship will be centrally made by Kendriya Sainik Board directly, through account payee cheques, to be credited in the personal account of the individual ward or through electronic clearing system.