

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2293  
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SCHEMES FOR BACKWARD STUDENTS  
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**Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether proposals to accord sanction for Post Matric Scholarships, construction of Hostels at District Headquarters for backward students and Book Bank Scheme for backward students in Medical Engineering and MBA has been received from Government of West Bengal;
- (b) if so, the action taken by the Union Government thereon alongwith funds released thereunder; and
- (c) the proposals which have not been accepted alongwith the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SMT. SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN)

(a) No proposal for Post Matric Scholarships and Book Bank Scheme has been received this year from the Govt. of West Bengal.

Two proposals from Govt. of West Bengal for construction of Hostels for OBC girls and boys with the following institution have been received:-

(i) Dr. Bhupendra Nath Smriti Mahavidyalaya, Burdwan.

(ii) Haldia Institute of Technology, Haldia

(b) In respect the proposal for construction of hostel for 60 boys with DR. Bhupendra Nath Smirite Mahavidyalaya, the Govt. of West Bengal has been requested to submit the utilization certificate in respect of grants released earlier and to confirm budget provision to meet the 50% State share.

Regarding the proposal of Haldia Institute, the estimated cost of construction of hostel for 100 OBC girls is Rs. 120.20 lakh. The State Govt. has requested to restrict the cost of construction to Rs. 50.00/60.00 lacks.

(c) Does not arise.