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PRAGATI – SCHOLARSHIP FOR GIRLS

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To provide encouragement and support to Girl Child to pursue technical education "Pragati Scholarship" has been launched by the Government from the year 2014-15. The salient features of the "Pragati Scholarship" are as under:

(i) Number of scholarship per annum: 4000

(ii) One Girl per family whose family income is less than Rs.6 Lakhs per annum

(iii) The candidates will be selected on merit at the qualifying examination

(iv) The candidates should have been admitted to 1st year of the Degree or diploma programme in any of the AICTE approved institute during the academic year 2014-15 through centralized admission process of the State /Central Government.

(v) Amount of scholarship: Tuition Fee of Rs. 30000/- or at actual, whichever is less and Rs. 2000/- per month for 10 months as incidentals each year.

At present, the Government does not propose to revise the eligibility criteria and other conditions of the "Pragati Scholarship".

This information was given by the Union Human Resource Development Minister, Smt. Smriti Irani in a written reply to the Lok Sabha question.

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