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**Scholarship Schemes for North-East Students**New Delhi, December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Ishan Vikas and Ishan Uday schemes are being implemented for the students of North Eastern region.

Ishan Vikas is coordinated by Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Guwahati and under the programme, selected school children from North Eastern States are brought in close contact with the Indian Institute of Technology (IITs), Indian Institutes of Science Education and Research (IISERs) and National Institute of Advanced Studies (NIAS) during the vacation period to motivate them to pursue science, technology, engineering and mathematics and to facilitate internship opportunities for the engineering college students in various institutes of national importance. Annual target is to provide visit of 96 school children to premier institutes and summer internships to 250 engineering students. Rs. 605.45 lakhs has been approved for the programme. Since inception of the programme in 2014-15, 1637 (922 boys and 715 girls) school children and 378 (266 boys and 112 girls) Engineering students have benefitted.

Ishan Uday Scholarship Scheme is administered by University Grants Commission (UGC). Under the scheme, scholarship is provided to the students having parental income upto Rs. 4.5 lakh per annum, from the North East Region for pursuing general degree, technical and professional degree courses including medical and para-medical courses. The target of beneficiaries under the scheme is 10,000 per year. Rate of scholarship under the scheme is, Rs. 5400/- per month for general degree course and Rs. 7800/- per month for technical/medical/professional/paramedical courses. Since inception of the scheme in 2014-15 and till September, 2018, Rs. 309.95 Crore has been disbursed to 68,207 students, towards fresh and renewal scholarships.

This information was given by the Minister of State (HRD), Dr. Satya Pal Singh today in a written reply to a Lok Sabha question.

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