

Lok Satta warns against denial of assistance to PG students

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The move to deny scholarships and fee reimbursement to post-graduate students will spawn unrest, warned the Lok Satta Party here today.

Addressing a media conference, Lok Satta Party leaders wanted the Government to convene an all-party meeting and consult all stakeholders before taking a decision.

Party General Secretary Katari Srinivasa Rao and Secretary P. Bhaskara Rao said that the Government should provide quality primary education to every child irrespective of its caste or religion and enable all the deserving and desirous to pursue higher education. Education should be viewed as a means for wealth creation, they emphasized.

Mr. Srinivasa Rao, who took part in the party's campaign for elections to the Tamil Nadu Assembly, hoped the party would make its presence felt in some of the 36 constituencies in which it fielded candidates. The mainstream parties in Tamil Nadu sought to lure voters with sops at the cost of the Government and distribution of ill-gotten money. In contrast, the Lok Satta Party told the voters that it aimed at making them self-reliant and not beggars.

Party leaders V. Laxman Balaji and Mrs. Gajanani took part in the media conference,