

# YEAR AT A GLANCE

**April 2015 – March 2016**

*“...What advances a nation or community is not so much to prop up its weakest and most helpless members, as to lift up the best and the most gifted, so as to make them of the greatest service to the country. I prefer this constructive philanthropy which seeks to educate and develop the faculties of the best of our young men.”*

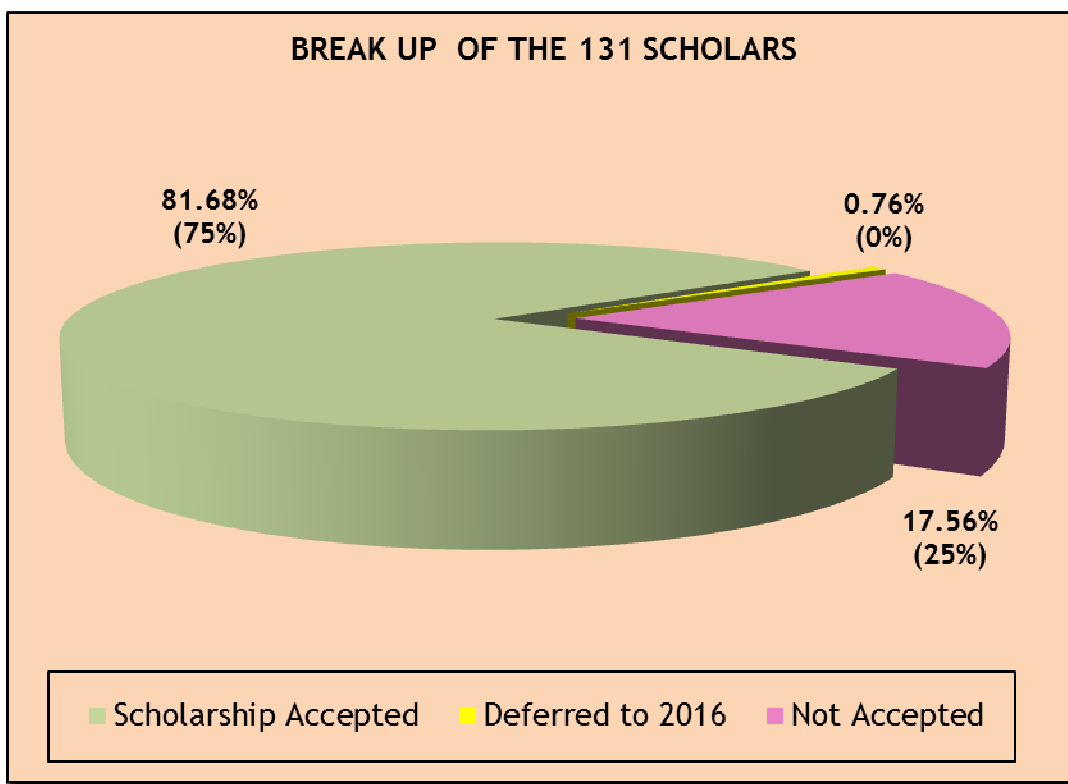
**- Jamsetjee Nusserwanjee Tata**

The J. N. Tata Endowment for the Higher Education of Indians has scrupulously carried out this mandate of its founder. For more than 124 years now, it has selected candidates of exceptional merit and enabled them to pursue quality higher education at some of the best institutions in the world. A meticulous process of selection equipped to deal with nationwide competition ensures that only “the best and most gifted” are selected. Between 1892 and March 2016 the Endowment has awarded its scholarships to 4884 scholars going abroad for higher studies in diverse fields covering more than 747 subjects and branches of specialisation, which are constantly evolving to meet the growing needs of change and development. The knowledge and expertise acquired by them has over the years, as the records show, enabled them to be of great service both to their country and humanity at large.

The J.N. Tata Endowment is pleased to present its Year at a Glance for the year ended March 31, 2016.

***Awards for the Fall 2015 and Spring 2016 Semesters:***

Of the 131 scholars selected during the year, 107 took the awards while 1 scholar requested for the deferment of the scholarship for the Fall 2016 semester. Of the remaining 23 scholars, 4 declined the scholarship as they had received full scholarships from other institutions/universities, 12 did not avail of the scholarship owing to personal reasons, 7 did not avail of the scholarship owing to insufficient funds. The following figure shows the break-up of the 131 scholars selected (figures in parenthesis show the corresponding percentages for the previous year):

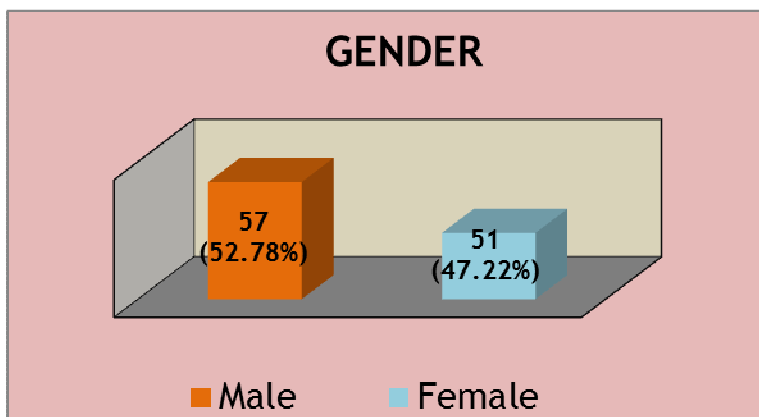


**Total Awards for the Year:** Of the 108 scholars who took the awards, 100 scholars proceeded for their studies for the Fall 2015 semester while the remaining 8 scholars proceeded for studies in the Spring 2016 semester. Thus a total 108 scholars – comprising 107 awardees from those selected 2015 – 2016 and 1 awardee from among the scholars selected in 2014 – 2015 – took the Endowment’s scholarship during the year 2015 – 2016. The following table shows the figures since 2011-12 to 2015-16.

<b>PERCENTAGE OF SCHOLARS NOT AVAILING OF THE SCHOLARSHIP</b>			
<b>YEAR</b>	<b>NO. SELECTED</b>	<b>NO. AVAILED</b>	<b>NO. and % NOT AVAILED</b>
2011-2012	141	109	32 (22.70%)
2012-2013	149	119	30 (20.13%)
2013-2014	119	95	24 (20.17%)
2014-2015	124	93	31 (25%)
2015-2016	131	107	24 (18.32%)

### ***The Awardees of 2015-2016 – A Profile***

The following is a profile of the 108 J. N. Tata Scholars on the basis of the socio-demographic variables of gender and state of origin.

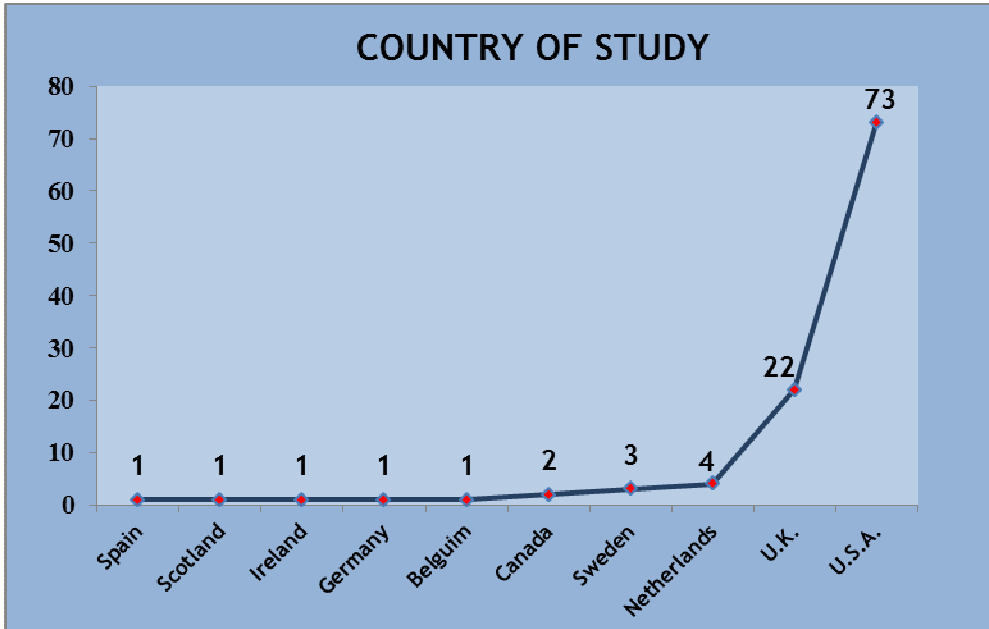


**State of Origin:** The data for 2016-2017 indicates that 47.22% of the awardees were from states other than Maharashtra as compared to the 34.41% in 2014-2015.

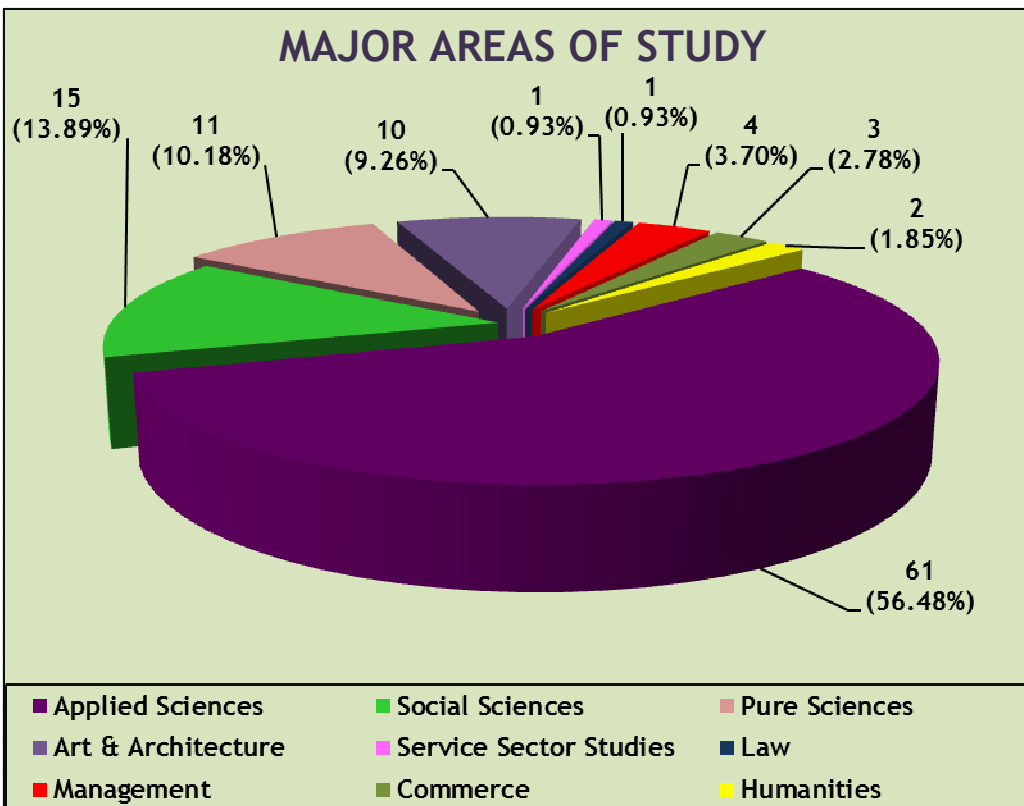
<b>DISTRIBUTION OF AWARDEES BY STATE OF ORIGIN</b>			
<b>State</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Number</b>
Andhra Pradesh	001	Kerala	002
Bangalore	001	Maharashtra	057
Bihar	002	Odisha	001
Chandigarh (U.T.)	001	Punjab	001
Chhatisgarh	001	Rajasthan	001
Delhi (N.C.R.)	011	Tamil Nadu	009
Gujarat	004	Uttar Pradesh	004
Haryana	003	West Bengal	001
Karnataka	008		
		<b>Total</b>	<b>108</b>

**Mid-Career Professionals:** 9 mid-career professionals were selected for the Fall 2015 and Spring 2016 semesters, of whom 8 scholars took the scholarship.

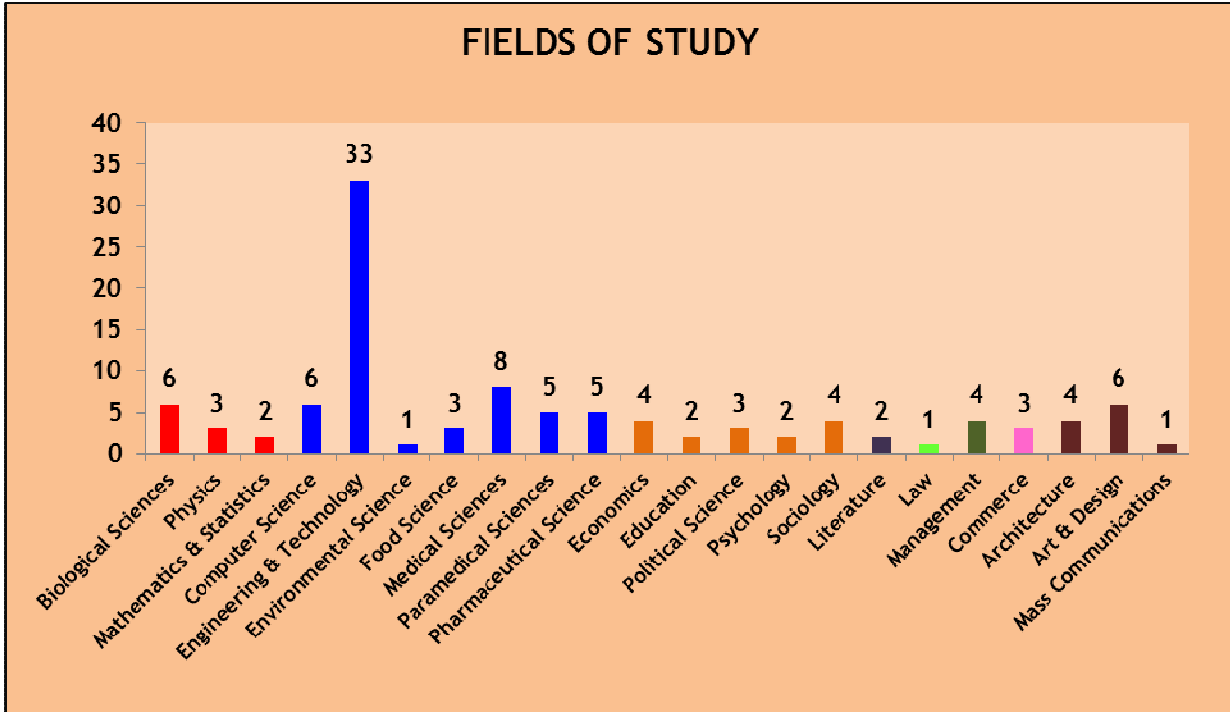
*Country of Study*



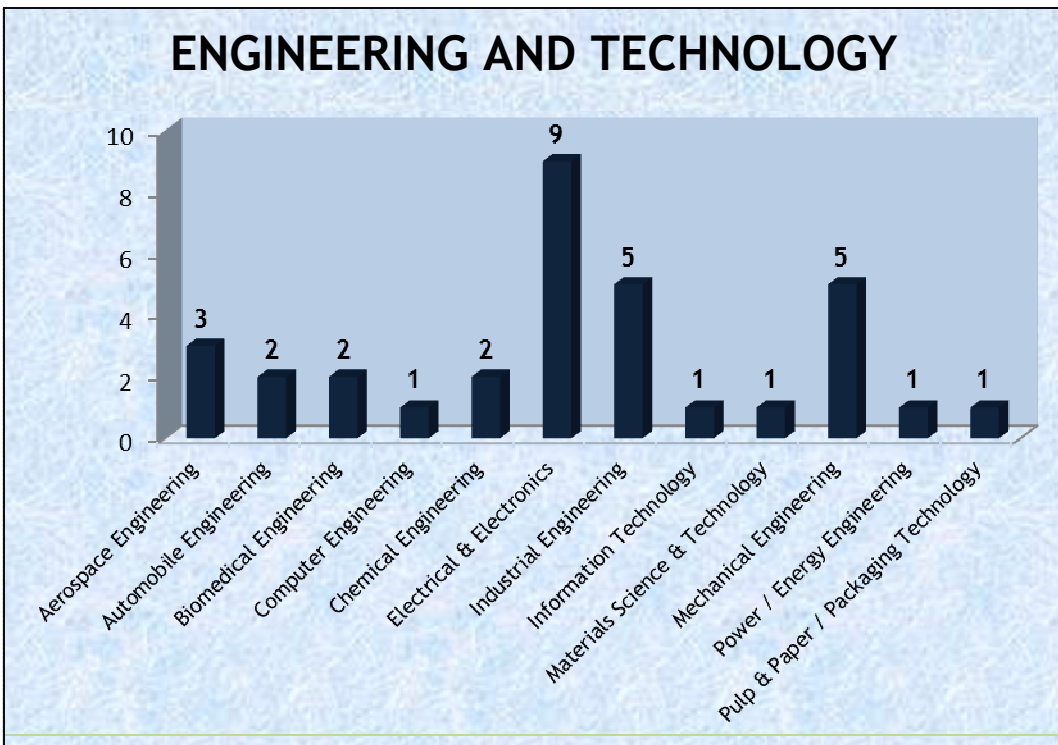
*Major Areas of Study*



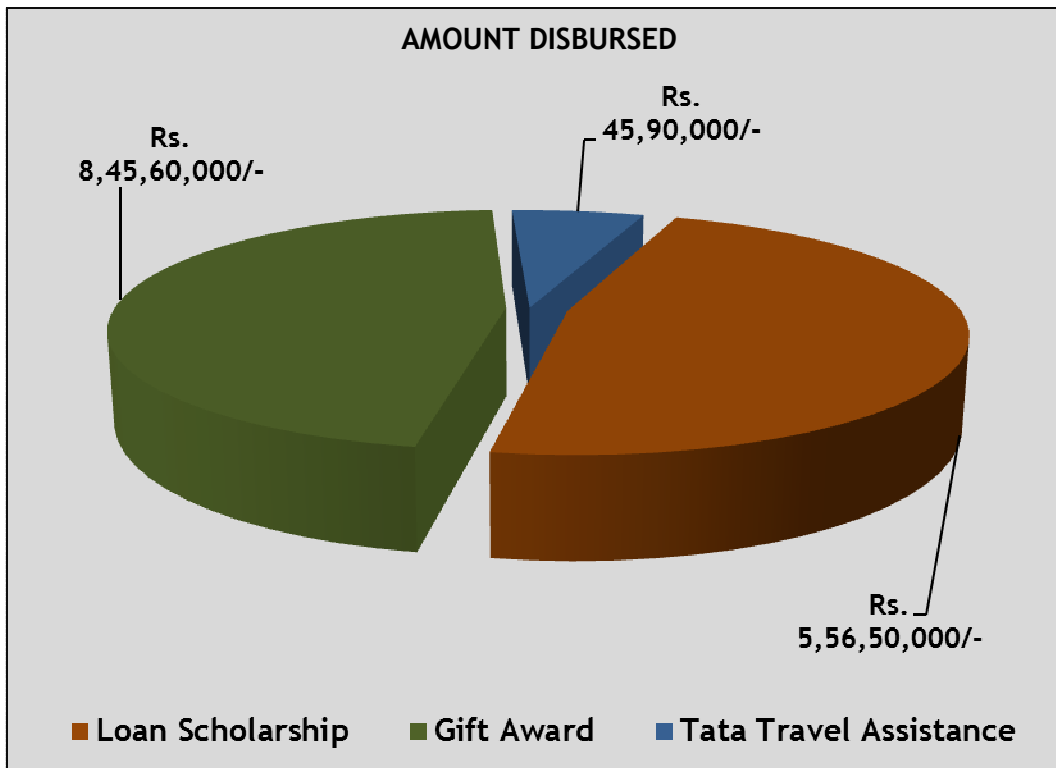
### Fields of Study



### Fields of Engineering and Technology



## *Amount Disbursed*



## *The Orientation Programme*

The Ninth Orientation Programme for the outgoing scholars of 2015 – 2016 was held on 24<sup>th</sup> July, 2015 at the Tata Communications Building, VSB Board Room, Videsh Sanchar Bhavan, M.G. Road, Fort, Mumbai – 400 001. It was attended by 55 of the selected scholars. The Inaugural Address was delivered by Dr. Vikram Nabar, Engineering Consultant and Trainer to Small Scale Industries, Pune and a former J.N. Tata Scholar.

The schedule included two working sessions on “Working and Studying in the UK and the US” by Ms. Rupal Parikh, Manager Education U.K., West India, British Council Education Division, Mumbai and by Dr. Ryan Pereira,

Regional Officer, United States – India Education Foundation (USIEF), Mumbai. This was followed by a lecture on “Brand Ambassadors for India” delivered by Dr. Mukund Rajan, Brand Custodian and Chief Ethics Officer, Tata Sons Limited, Mumbai. This was followed by the screening of the film ‘Lasting Legacies – Reverence and Remembrance’ which was much appreciated by the audience. The programme concluded with an Interactive Session where presentations were made by the earlier J. N. Tata Scholars who had returned to India and were now working in their chosen fields of specialisation. These included Ms. Sneha Berry, Ms. Rashmi Dhanwani, Dr. Bipin Gangurde, Ms. Saranya Karunanirhi, Ms. Ryana Mehta, Ms. Benaifar Nagwaswalla, Dr. Kiran Sathe, Mr. Gautam Vagal and Ms. Ashraf Vishram. An exhaustive question and answer interaction took place between the panelists and the participants. Participants considered this a very productive meeting.