GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2588 TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.12.2023

COACHING SCHEMES FOR SCs/OBCs

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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:-

- (a) the overview of the coaching and allied assistance scheme for economically disadvantaged students belonging to Scheduled Castes (SCs) and Other Backward Classes (OBCs);
- (b) the details of the role of Aadhaar-enabled bank accounts and the Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) mechanism in facilitating financial transactions related to the coaching scheme;
- (c) whether the Government monitor and evaluate the performance of empanelled Central Universities and the impact of the coaching provided to students; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI A. NARAYANASWAMY)

- (a): The scheme namely Free Coaching Scheme for SC and OBC students, being run by Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, aims to provide coaching of good quality for economically disadvantaged Scheduled Castes (SCs) and Other Backward Classes (OBCs) candidates to enable them to appear in competitive examinations for obtaining appropriate jobs in Public/Private Sector and/or for securing admission in reputed technical and professional higher education institutions. Candidates belonging to SCs and OBCs, having total family income upto Rs. 8.00 lakh per annum from all sources are eligible for benefits under the Scheme. Selected meritorious candidates are provided course fee ranging from Rs. 20,000/- to Rs. 75000 depending on the courses he/she has opted for. Also a monthly stipend of Rs. 4000 per student through DBT is provided.
- (b): Aadhar-enabled bank account and the Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) mechanism in financial transactions help in timely delivery of benefits to the genuine beneficiaries and also to check duplication of beneficiaries.
- (c) & (d): The Ministry monitors the implementation of the scheme in association with Dr Ambedkar Foundation (DAF) by keeping a regular watch and obtaining periodic reports from the Central Universities. The impact of the coaching provided to the students is assessed at the time of release of second installment of funds and decision as regards renewal and empanelment of Universities are decided based on the criteria laid down in Annexure-B of guidelines of the Scheme. Copy of Annexure-B is placed as **annexure**.

Annexure is the part of para (c) and (d) to the reply of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question no. 2588

Annexure-B

Criteria for Review of Performance of the Empanelled Institutions for Release of Funds and Renewal of Empanelment Under Free Coaching Scheme

Sl. No.	Competitive Exam	Success parameters	Criteria for release of 2nd installment of funds and renewal for Empanelment Success rate as per
			cent of batch size
1.	Central Civil Services and State Civil Services	Success in Prelims/Mains/final selection in any Central or State Civil Services	4%
2.	SSC/RRB/Ban king/IES/Insu rance /PSU	Final selection or even call for interview shall be considered for assessing success	16%
3.	JEE	Passing of Mains/final selection in B.Tech/BE course in case of JEE in any Engineering college with at least half of them crossing the final cut off marks at which SC students were selected in that year in any Govt. college.	
4.	GATE	Passing the test with required cut off to secure admission in Post Graduate course in any Govt college and/ or secure employment in any PSU of the Central or State Government through the exam	
5.	NEET	Admission in any Medical college in MBBS/BDS/B.Pharma course with at least half of them crossing the final cut off marks at which SC students were selected in that year in any Govt. college.	
6.	CAT/CLAT	Getting call for GD and interview from any Govt. College for PGDM/MBA/L.L.B	
7.	CACPT	Passing the test to secure admission in the CA course	At least 30% of the students imparted training should pass the test to join the course.
8.	GRE/GMAT/S AT/TOEFL	Scoring of at least 65 %of the total maximum marks for the exam	10%
9.	NDA/CDS/CPL	Getting call for interview for these courses	10%
