

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:341  
ANSWERED ON:18.04.2000  
FUNDS FOR EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT OF SCS/STS  
REENA CHOUDHARY

**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the 'Forum of SC/ST' Parliamentarians has demanded allocation/placement of funds in proportion to the population of SCs/STs for the overall development of these communities;
- (b) if so, the total amount of funds demanded by his Ministry for the educational development of the SCs/STs in the Eighth Five Year Plan (1992-97) and Ninth Five Year Plan (1997-2002) as compared to the total demands of the Ministry;
- (c) the amount of funds allocated/earmarked for the said purpose and actual amount utilized and its percentage as compared to the total funds released to the Ministry; and
- (d) The reasons for not providing adequate funds for this purpose?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI)

(a) : Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) : A statement is laid on the Table of Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (b) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 341 FOR 18.04.2000 REGARDING FUNDS FOR EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT OF SCs/STs BY SHRIMATI REENA CHOUDHARY.

The National Policy on Education lays special emphasis on removal of disparities and equalization of educational opportunities for educationally backward social groups, particularly the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes. The schemes of the Ministry of Human Resource Development have an all India coverage with due emphasis on educational opportunities for backward social groups, especially SCs and STs.

As per the guidelines of the Planning Commission Special Component Plan (SCP) for Scheduled Castes and Tribal Sub Plan (TSP) for Scheduled Tribes, the Ministry of Human Resource Development earmarks funds under SCP and TSP from its budget on the basis of the proportion of population of SCs/STs. As educational facilities and infrastructures are provided in an integrated manner to all segments of the population, utilization of the earmarked funds is also done in an integrated manner.

A statement showing funds allocated under SCP and TSP during the Eighth and Ninth Five Year Plan period (upto 1999- 2000) is attached.

Statement showing funds to SCP and TSP from the Plan allocation of Ministry of Human Resource Development, Departments of Secondary Education & Higher Education and Elementary Education & Literacy.

Year	Plan	Divisib	Flow to	Flow to
Allocat	le		SCP	TSP
ion	Outlay			

(Rs. In Crores)

Eighth	Plan	1992-97	7443.00	5483.88	857.21	512.10
Period					(15.63)	(9.33)
Ninth	Plan	1997-98	12840.28	10504.62	1690.04	944.53
Period		to 1999-	(16.09)	(9.00)		
		2000				

Note : Figures given in parenthesis indicate percentage of flow of funds of the divisible outlay to SCP & TSP.

