

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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SHORTAGE OF HOSTELS  
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**Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:**

(a) whether there is any shortage of hostels for Other Backward Class (OBC) students all over the country particularly in Tamil Nadu; and

(b) if so, the action taken by the Government to have enough hostel facilities for OBC students in future?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT(D. NAPOLEON)

(a) to (b) Under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Hostels for OBC Boys and Girls, construction of hostels is a continuing activity to meet the requirements of OBC students. Hostels are sanctioned to various State Governments in the country including Tamil Nadu, based on the proposals received from the concerned State Government, utilization of funds sanctioned in the past and budgetary allocation available under the scheme. Out of 814 hostels sanctioned to various State Governments under the scheme upto 2009-10, 158 have been sanctioned to Tamil Nadu.