

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

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CENTRAL ASSISTANCE UNDER POST MATRIC SCHOLARSHIP

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

(a) whether the Government of Maharashtra has requested to the Central Government for the sanction and release of central assistance under Post Matric Scholarship for Other Backward Classes (OBCs) and also requested for the early reimbursement of Rs. 111494.48 lakhs from the year 2001-2010;

(b) if so, the details in this regard and the Government's response thereto; and

(c) the time by which the amount of reimbursement is likely to be provide to the Maharashtra?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) Proposal for release of Rs. 111494.48 lakhs for the period 2001-02 to 2009-10 and proposal for Rs. 32197.34 lakhs for 2010-11 under Post Matric Scholarship Scheme for OBCs has been received from Government of Maharashtra. An amount of Rs. 73.33 crores was released to the State Government during the period 2001-02 to 2009-10 as against the total amount of Rs. 656.41 crores released under the scheme for all States/UTs. Funds are released based on annual budgetary allocation and no arrear payments are made to the State Governments/UTs.