

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1017
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BUDGET ALLOCATIONS
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether adequate budgetary allocations corresponding the budgetary/resource requirements have not been sanctioned under various schemes being implemented by the Ministry;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether core schemes of the Ministry have been adversely affected due to non-increase in the budgetary allocations;
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the action taken to ensure that important and core schemes are not affected adversely due to shortage of funds;
- (e) whether due to budgetary constraints, the Ministry is not able to undertake a revision in their pre and post-matric scholarship schemes for Scheduled Castes (SCs); and
- (f) if so, the corrective steps being taken in this regard ?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b) The Plan Budget Estimate for the Ministry was fixed at Rs.4,500 crore for the year 2010-11 which is 80% higher than the corresponding figure of 2009-10, to meet the resource requirements under major schemes of the Ministry during the current year.
- (c) No, Sir.
- (d) Does not arise.
- (e)&(f) Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme for Children of those engaged in Unclean Occupations has already been revised by Ministry with effect from 1st April, 2008. On account of enhanced allocation of plan funds, the process for revision of Post Matric Scholarships Scheme for Scheduled Castes (SCs) has also been initiated during the year.