

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES FOR POOR PEOPLE

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

- (a) the details of funds had been allocated and spent on social development programmes during the last three years and the current year, year-wise and State-wise;
- (b) whether the benefits of these programmes have been percolated to the poorest among the poor;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a) Major Schemes/Programmes under which central assistance is given to the States are listed below:

- (i) Pre Matric Scholarship for Children of those Engaged in Unclean Occupations
- (ii) Pre-Matric Scholarship to Other Backward Class (OBC)students
- (iii) Post Matric scholarship to Other Backward Class students
- (iv) Post Matric Scholarship for Scheduled Castes
- (v) Babu Jagjivan Ram Chatrawas Yojana (Boys Hostels)
- (vi) Babu Jagjivan Ram Chatrawas Yojana (Girls Hostels)
- (vii) Assistance for Construction of Hostels for OBC Boys and Girls
- (viii) Special Central Assistance to Scheduled Castes Sub Plan
- (ix) Implementation of Protection of Civil Rights Act, 1955 and Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989
- (x) Pradhan Mantri Adarsh Gram Yojana

A Statement giving the total funds allocated/ released to States/UTs under these schemes/ programmes is enclosed at Annexure.

(b) to (d): The Ministry sponsors evaluation studies from time to time for its schemes/ programmes through independent evaluation agencies to check whether their benefits reach the target groups. These studies revealed that benefits of these schemes are largely reaching the target groups. Appropriate corrective measures are also taken periodically on the basis of the outcome of the evaluation studies sponsored by the Ministry under these schemes.