

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

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PRE RECRUITMENT TRAINING TO SCS
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of schemes/programmes being run/proposed to be implemented to address the education concerns of Scheduled Castes in more holistic and realistic manner;
- (b) the details of funds sanctioned, released and incurred under present various schemes during the last three years and the current year;
- (c) whether any pre-recruitment training facilities to prospective job seekers of this community have been put in place; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a): This Ministry is implementing various Schemes for educational development of the Scheduled Castes, as follows:-

- i. Post-Matric Scholarships to the Students belonging to Scheduled Castes for Studies in India.
- ii. Pre-Matric Scholarships to the children of those engaged in 'unclean' occupations (For SCs & non-SCs).
- iii. National Overseas Scholarship for SC etc. students for higher studies abroad.
- iv. Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship for SC candidates.
- v. Free Coaching for SC & OBC students.
- vi. Top Class Education for SC students.
- vii. Upgradation of merit of SC students.

(b): Scheme-wise details of funds sanctioned and released during last three years and current year (upto 12.12.11) is at Annexure.

(c) & (d): Under this Ministry's Central Sector Scheme of Free Coaching for SC & OBC students, there is a provision to provide qualitative coaching for (i) Group A and B examinations conducted by the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC), Staff Selection Commission (SSC) and the various Railways recruitment Boards (RRBs); (ii) Group A and B examinations conducted by the State Public Service Commissions; (iii) Officers' Grade examinations conducted by Banks, Insurance Companies and Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) and; (iv) Finishing courses/Job-oriented courses for employment in the private sector like IT, Bio-technology etc. in need of soft skill as well.