

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

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SCHEMES FOR UPLIFTMENT OF SAFAI KARAMCHARIS
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the schemes being run for social and economic upliftment of the safai karamcharis and their dependents by the National Safai Karamcharis Finance and Development Corporation;
- (b) the time since when the said schemes are being run and the details of the amount spent thereon annually;
- (c) the funds allocated and released by the Corporation and utilised by the State channelising agencies during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise; and
- (d) the extent to which these schemes have been successful in the upliftment of the safai karamcharis?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (D. NAPOLEON)

(a) & (b): Details of schemes being implemented by NSKFDC are given below:-

S.No. Name of the Scheme in operation Rate of interest Amount Disbursed during
Schemes since 2008-09 (Rs. in crores)

NJSK SCA to
FDC benefi-
to ciary
SCA

1 General Term January 1997 3% 6% 40.35
Loan

2 Micro Credit January 1997 2% 5% 10.24
Finance (MCF)

3 Mahila October 2003 1% 4% 18.37
Samridhi
Yojana

4. Mahila July 2008 2% 5% 3.90
Adhikarita
Yojana

5. Education Loan October 2003 3% 6% 0.17

6. Skill October 2002 Not applicable 1.32
Development as 100% grant
Training Programmes given for course
fees and stipend.

(c) Details of funds disbursed by NSKFDC under self employment schemes, and its utilization are given in Annexure.

(d) NSKFDC has got Evaluation Studies conducted in the States of Andhra Pradesh, Chhatisgarh, Gujarat, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh & Tamil Nadu. The findings of the Evaluation Study suggest that the schemes are attracting the youth and helping them to leave traditional unclean occupations and settle in to alternative occupations. The income of beneficiary has increased and assets have been created.