

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

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PRE MATRIC SCHOLARSHIP SCHEMES
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to enhanced the family income ceiling for SCs/OBCs/Baxi Community candidates for pre-matric scholarship;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which it is likely to be increased?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): The Ministry is implementing following two Pre-Matric Scholarship Schemes, under which scholarship is being provided to SC and OBC students:-

- i) Pre-matric scholarship for students belonging to Other Backward Classes (OBCs); and
- ii) Pre-matric scholarship for the children of those engaged in 'unclean' occupations (Both for SCs and non-SCs).

Under the Scheme of Pre-matric scholarship for students belonging to Other Backward Classes, the scholarship is to be paid to the students whose parent's/guardian's income from all sources does not exceed Rs. 44,500/- per annum. There is no proposal to enhance this ceiling.

There is no income ceiling prescribed under the scheme of Pre-matric scholarship for the children of those engaged in 'unclean' occupations.