

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:224  
ANSWERED ON:27.08.2012  
FUNDS FOR POST MATRIC SCHOLARSHIP SCHEMES  
Pandurang Shri Munde Gopinathrao

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

- (a) whether the Government provides funds to States/Union Territories under the Pre-Matric and Post-Matric Scholarship Schemes for Other Backward Classes (OBCs) and Scheduled Castes (SCs);
- (b) if so, the funds provided to each State/Union Territory under these schemes during the last three years;
- (c) the number of proposals received from various States/Union Territories for seeking funds under the schemes and still pending with the Government; and
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to dispose of the pending proposals?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI MUKUL WASNIK)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to part (a) to (d) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No.224 for answer on 27.08.2012 tabled by Shri Gopinath Munde

(a) & (b): Funds are released to the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations under the Centrally Sponsored Schemes of Pre-Matric and Post-Matric Scholarship for OBC students, Post-Matric Scholarship for Scheduled Caste students and Pre-Matric Scholarship to the Children of those engaged in unclean occupations (both for SCs and non-SCs). Details of funds released during the last three years under these Schemes are enclosed at Annexure. A new Scheme of Pre-Matric Scholarship for SC students studying in Classes IX-X has been introduced with effect from 01-07-2012.

(c) & (d): All the complete proposals received in a financial year are processed in accordance with the guidelines of the Scheme and the extant financial rules. Central assistance is released subject to availability of funds. Since the proposals received are for a particular financial year, all the complete proposals are processed during the same financial year.