

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
LAW AND JUSTICE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:975  
ANSWERED ON:16.08.2012  
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO ADVOCATES .  
Siddeswara Shri Gowdar Mallikarjunappa

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to provide financial assistance to encourage advocates belonging to Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the time by which the final decision in this regard is likely to be taken; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHID)

(a) to (d) The Bar Council of India, a statutory body, has informed that there is no separate-provision under the Rules of the Bar Council of India to provide any financial assistance to the advocates belonging to SC/ST and Backward classes.