## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FINANCE LOK SABHA

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EXPENDITURE FOR WEAKER SECTIONS

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## Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the budgetary allocation made and expenditure actually incurred by Government for the development of weaker sections during the last three years, along with the amount spent for this purpose during each of the last three years, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government monitors the projects implemented for this purpose;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reaction of the Government thereto?

## **Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (Shri Namo Narain Meena)

(a)to (d) With a view to provide adequate funds for various welfare schemes for the weaker sections, Government had taken initiative to make separate allocation for the Scheduled Castes Sub Plan and Tribal Sub Plan as part of the Plan allocations from the financial year 2011-12 and the same are also indicated clearly in the Memorandum of Understanding signed between Planning Commission and the concerned Ministry/Department. Instructions have also been issued to the Ministries/Departments for which such allocations are made by the Planning Commission as part of the Plan Agreement in their Budget to ensure that the provisions are accurately reflected in the concerned Minor Head "Special Component Plan for Scheduled Castes" (Code '789') and "Tribal Sub Plan" (Code No.'796') below the functional major/sub-major heads wherever necessary, in terms of the instruction under Para 3.8 of the General Directions to the List of Major and Minor Heads of Accounts. The provisions made under these Minor Head are not allowed to be reappropriated, except to the same Minor heads in other schemes under "Special Component Plan for Scheduled Castes" (Code '789') and "Tribal Sub Plan" (Code No. '796') thereby preventing any possibility of any diversion. Ministry of Finance makes allocations to those line Ministries/ Departments which are administering various welfare schemes for the weaker sections of the society. Statewise and Union Territory wise releases are made by the line Ministries / Departments concerned. The financial/ physical progress is monitored by the administrative Ministries/ Departments concerned. The details of Actual expenditure and budgetary allocations under SCSP and TSP for the year 2011-12 to 2013-14 are as under: -

(Rs Crore)
Component 2011-12 2012-13 2013-14
(Actuals) (Revised Estimate) (Budget Estimate)
SCSP 28535.10 33085.04 41561.13
TSP 17453.61 18721.33 24598.39