

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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WELFARE OF SC OBC COMMUNITY
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the schemes launched by the Government for the welfare of Scheduled Castes (SCs) and Other Backward Classes (OBCs) along with the funds allocated and spent for the purpose during each of the last three years and the current year, Scheme and State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has reviewed the performance of the existing schemes in the country;
- (c) if so, the details and the outcome thereof along with the steps taken for their effective implementation and proper utilisation of funds under the schemes;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to launch a new scheme to address the problems being faced by the SCs and OBCs; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government to ensure that SCs and OBCs get their due share in social and economic development in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI VIJAYSAMPLA)

- a) The state-wise details of Central Assistance released in respect of the following major Schemes for the development of Scheduled Castes (SCs) and Other Backward Classes (OBCs) are at Annexure I.
- (i) Special Central Assistance to Scheduled Castes Sub-Plan,
 - (ii) Post-Matric Scholarship for SC Students,
 - (iii) Pre-Matric Scholarship to the Children of those engaged in 'unclean' occupations,
 - (iv) Pre-Matric Scholarship for SC students studying in classes IX & X,
 - (v) Babu Jagjivan Ram Chhatrawas Yojna,
 - (vi) Implementation of Protection of Civil Rights Act, 1955 and the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989,
 - (vii) Free Coaching Scheme for SCs and OBCs, and;
 - (viii) Upgradation of Merit of SC students.
 - (ix) Pre-Matric schemes for OBC students.
 - (x) Post -Matric Scholarship for OBC students.
 - (xi) Schemes of Construction of Hostels for OBC Boys and Girls.
- (b) & (c) Performance of various schemes for the development of SCs and OBCs is reviewed at periodic intervals. The details of the major schemes for the development of the SCs & OBCs which have been evaluated in the past and the recommendations thereon and various steps taken for effective implementation of the schemes are at Annexure II.
- (d) & (e) The Government has decided to set up a new Venture Capital Fund for the Scheduled Caste. During 2014-15 an allocation of Rs 200 crore has been provided for the Fund. The Scheme would be implemented by the IFCI Limited.