

**Title:**Need to release funds to Government of Karnataka for running pre-examination training centres for SCs/STs – laid.

SHRI G.S. BASAVARAJ (TUMKUR) : The State Government of Karnataka is running five pre-examination Training Centres in places of (i) Indiranagar, Bangalore; (ii) Sampangiramanagar, Bangalore; (iii) Mysore; (iv) Dharwar; and (v) Gulbarga. In all these centres, the training is imparted to the Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe candidates for appearing various competitive examination for employment. While the centre at the Indiranagar, Bangalore is imparting training to only those candidates who are appearing at All India Service Examinations, the other centres impart training in respect of examinations conducted by various recruitment authorities.

The State Government of Karnataka has earmarked a sum of Rs.125 lakhs in the Budget 2000-01 for running of these centres and also for imparting training to the candidates. The grant-in-aid to be received from Government of India was worked out on the basis of the 2000 and the total amount comes to Rs.18,74,025/-. In spite of several reminders, the Government of India has not so far released the amount.

I, therefore, urge the Government to kindly release this sum which is required for running of these training centres for the benefit of SCs and STs.