

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

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †2620  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.07.2019**

**FREE COACHING TO SC AND OBC STUDENTS**

**†2620. SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:**

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

- (a) whether free coaching facility is being provided by the Government for students belonging to Scheduled Castes and Other Backward Classes;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the numbers of such coaching institutes being run across the country at present, State/ UT-wise and course-wise;
- (c) whether any fund has been allocated by the Government to the States for implementation of this scheme; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT  
(SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA)**

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Financial support for coaching is being provided by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment to eligible students belonging to Scheduled Castes (SCs) and Other Backward Classes (OBCs) under the Scheme of Free Coaching for SC and OBC Students to enable them to appear in competitive examinations and succeed in obtaining an appropriate job in public/ private sector.

Thirty one institutes with forty seven coaching centres have been empanelled across the country for providing coaching under the Scheme. State/UT-wise details of these institutes along with the courses approved are at Annexure.

(c) & (d): The Scheme does not have provision for State-wise fund allocation. The coaching fee and stipend amount are released directly to the concerned institutes and students, respectively.

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