

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO -2521
ANSWERED ON - 22/03/2023

BUDGETARY ALLOCATIONS UNDER DAPSC

2521.SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE

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

- (a) details of the total percentage of Budgetary allocation towards Development Action Plan for SCs (DAPSC) out of total scheme allocation in the last five years, year-wise;
- (b) whether it is a fact that the maximum Budgetary allocations under DAPSC are towards general schemes;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that the percentage of allocation under DAPSC is not proportionate with the total percentage of the SC population;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) what steps Government has taken to improve such a situation?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

(SHRI RAMDAS ATHAWALE)

(a) The details of total Percentage of Budgetary allocation towards DAPSC out of total scheme allocation in the last five years, year-wise is as follows:

(Rs. in crores)

Sl. No.	Year	Total Budgetary Allocation	DAPSC Allocation	Total %age of Budgetary Allocation towards DAPSC
1	2018-19	288655.68	56618.25	19.61 %
2	2019-20	426245.23	81340.74	19.08 %
3	2020-21	456973.21	83256.62	18.22 %
4	2021-22	881102.76	126339.45	14.34 %
5	2022-23	904541.09	142342.36	15.74 %

(b) The Budgetary Allocation of funds under DAPSC is done by NITI Aayog for the welfare schemes implemented by the participating Ministries/Departments for improving the socio-economic and educational conditions of the SCs and STs. It is the prerogative of the Ministries/Departments to further re-allocate the funds allocated by NITI Aayog under their respective Schemes.

(c) No Sir, the percentage of allocation under DAPSC remains proportional with the total percentage of the SC population.

As per the guidelines of NITI Ayog, percentage of earmarking should not be less than 50% of the population proportion or at least in the proportion of SCs/STs population of the country, whichever is higher.

(d) & (e) Does not arise.
