

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO -767
ANSWERED ON - 26/07/2023

REVISION OF POST-MATRIC AND PRE-MATRIC SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT FOR SCHEDULED CASTES STUDENTS

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

- (a) the dropout rate of Scheduled Castes students at various levels of school education compared to the average rate of dropout;
- (b) the total number of eligible students for Pre-Matric and Post-Matric Scholarship Schemes for Scheduled Castes and those who actually received the scholarship during the years 2020-21, 2021-22 and 2022-23, State-wise;
- (c) whether Government has any plan to revise the rates of scholarship in order to help the students to cope up with the impact of inflation; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

(SHRI A. NARAYANASWAMY)

- (a) As per the latest UDISE 2021-22 report published by the Department of School Education and Literacy, the dropout rate of Scheduled Castes students at various levels of school education compared to the average rate of dropout is provided at **Annexure**.
- (b) Post-Matric Scholarship Scheme for SC students (PMS-SC) and Pre-Matric Scholarship Schemes for Scheduled Castes & Others are open-ended schemes wherein the eligible applicants as per the scheme guidelines and which have been finally verified by the States/UTs are provided the scholarship. Upto 2020-21 in PMS-SC and 2021-22 in Pre-Matric SC Scheme, Central assistance was released to the States/UTs wherein, State Governments/UTs being the implementing agency verified the applications as per the eligibility criteria and disbursed the complete scholarship amount. The number of beneficiaries awarded scholarship, as reported by the State Governments for the years 2020-21 under PMS-SC and 2020-21 & 2021-22 under Pre-Matric Scheme is attached as Annexure. From 2021-22 under PMS-SC Scheme and 2022-23 in Pre-Matric SC Scheme, Central assistance is being released directly into the accounts of the

beneficiaries through DBT after the State share is paid to the verified beneficiaries and the verified data is sent to the Central Portal. The details of number of beneficiaries awarded the scholarship during these years are attached at **Annexure**.

(c) & (d) The rates of scholarship have been recently revised under Post-Matric Scholarship Scheme for SC students in FY 2020-21 and under Pre-Matric Scholarships Scheme for SC & Others in FY 2021-22. Further, no proposal for further revision of rates is under consideration.

Annexure

Statement referred to Part (a) of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 767 for answer on 26.07.2023

Dropout rate of Scheduled Castes students at various levels of school education (As per UDISE 2021-22 Report)

Category	Primary (I-V)	Upper Primary (VI-VIII)	Secondary (IX-X)
Scheduled Castes	1.46	3.56	12.55
Average	1.45	3.02	12.61

Statement referred to Part (b) of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 767 for answer on 26.07.2023

Beneficiaries covered under Post Matric Scholarship Scheme for SC Students (PMS-SC) during the financial years 2020-21 to 2022-23

Sl No.	State/UT	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
1	Andhra Pradesh	409678	243823	238915
2	Assam	7942	0	11140
3	Bihar	78181	0	136340
4	Chandigarh	1128	899	876
5	Chhattisgarh	101987	87464	96267
6	D&D and DNH	142	0	98
7	Delhi	0	0	7531
8	Goa	66	0	1
9	Gujarat	141000	97697	113531
10	Haryana	68183	0	87913
11	Himachal Pradesh	16445	0	21502
12	Jammu & Kashmir	9856	100	10097
13	Jharkhand	29782	7805	33922
14	Karnataka	318389	131448	458548
15	Kerala	125898	90866	42521
16	Madhya Pradesh	475993	48270	445319
17	Maharashtra	391778	68576	148573
18	Manipur	6096	0	8988
19	Odisha	173264	75530	299369
20	Puducherry	4303	0	3904
21	Punjab	176482	152157	40708
22	Rajasthan	207382	217176	303252
23	Sikkim	351	0	448
24	Tamil Nadu	654131	441672	543772
25	Telangana	223613	0	0
26	Tripura	14721	0	22278
27	Uttar Pradesh	802648	868554	1269634
28	Uttarakhand	30530	0	27735
29	West Bengal	361943	493099	273953
	Total	4831912	3025136	4647135

Number of beneficiaries under Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme for SC students during the financial years 2020-21 to 2022-23

S.No	State/ UT	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23*
1	Andhra Pradesh	236337	231340	0
2	Assam	912	418	0
3	Bihar	531536	473106	132127
4	Chandigarh	1000	1634	1304
5	Chhattisgarh	0	0	0
6	D&D and DNH	46	51	14
7	Delhi	16500	3771	501
8	Goa	200	29	6
9	Gujarat	56684	61128	21103
10	Haryana	0	0	0
11	Himachal Pradesh	15458	16759	0
12	Jammu & Kashmir	891	13359	0
13	Jharkhand	38015	57745	0
14	Karnataka	323332	271576	200119
15	Kerala	59312	60926	42003
16	Madhya Pradesh	318631	355000	0
17	Maharashtra	0	0	0
18	Manipur	485	571	0
19	Odisha	153073	92023	29047
20	Puducherry	4000	1349	0
21	Punjab	217729	196843	92604
22	Rajasthan	203083	240500	0
23	Sikkim	118	54	0
24	Tamilnadu	278838	306132	104324
25	Telangana	9051	26175	0
26	Tripura	4592	10211	4075
27	Uttar Pradesh	362511	320390	373692
28	Uttrakhand	26990	17363	0
29	West Bengal	209552	222783	77336
	Total	3068876	2981236	1078255
