

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO -1415
ANSWERED ON – 11/02/2026

DISTRIBUTION UNDER THE SCHEDULED CASTE SUB-PLAN

1415. SHRI SANJAY SINGH

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

(a) Budget Estimates (BE), Revised Estimates (RE) and Actual Expenditure incurred under the Scheduled Caste Sub-Plan / Scheduled Caste Development budget for during the last five years, year-wise;

(b) scheme-wise and Ministry/Department-wise details of the above allocations, indicating the funds earmarked under targeted SC-specific schemes and non-targeted or general schemes claiming SC components;

(c) percentage share of Scheduled Caste allocations in the total Union Budget in each of the above years; and

(d) year-wise utilisation gap between BE, RE and Actual Expenditure during the said period and the reasons for shortfall or diversion?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

(SHRI RAMDAS ATHAWALE)

(a) Year-wise Budget Estimates (BE), Revised Estimates (RE) and Actual Expenditure incurred under the Scheduled Caste Sub-Plan/Scheduled Caste Development budget for each of the financial years 2020-21 to 2025-26 (till date), is as under:

(Rs. in crores)

Year	DAPSC (erstwhile AWSC/SCSP) of all Ministries/Department		Actual Expenditure
	B.E.	R.E.	
2020-21	83,256.62	82,707.51	61,280.19
2021-22	1,26,259.20	1,39,956.42	1,18,441.17
2022-23	1,42,342.36	1,52,604.29	1,36,331.89
2023-24	1,59,126.22	1,46,861.08	1,32,167.84
2024-25	1,65,492.72	1,38,362.52	1,17,294.06

*[This Data is taken from e-Utthaan portal as on 06.02.2026]

(b) & (c) The scheme-wise and Ministry/Department-wise break-up, showing the funds earmarked under targeted SC-specific schemes and non-targeted or general schemes claiming SC components, along with the total SC allocations in the budget, is provided in Statement-10A of the Expenditure Profile of the Union Budget. The detailed statement can be accessed at: https://e-utthaan.gov.in/public/pdf/letter/TenA_2025-2026_88621746181280.pdf.

(d) Funds are earmarked for the welfare of SCs but due to general nature of schemes in some Development Action Plan for Scheduled Castes (DAPSC) obligated Ministries/Departments, DAPSC funds are not utilized fully. Further, as per NITI Aayog guidelines, under DAPSC, the diversion of funds is not permissible; the funds are exclusively earmarked for the welfare of Scheduled Castes.
