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RAJYA SABHA
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CENTRAL FUNDS FOR SCHEDULED CASTE WELFARE IN KARNATAKA

2050. SHRI AJAY MAKAN

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

- (a) the Central funds allocated and released to Karnataka under the Development Action Plan for Scheduled Castes during each of the last three years;
- (b) the funds released under the Post-Matric Scholarship for Scheduled Caste students in Karnataka and any amount pending;
- (c) the reasons for shortfall or delay, if any; and
- (d) the steps taken to release the pending funds?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

(SHRI RAMDAS ATHAWALE)

(a) NITI Aayog in the year 2017 issued "Guidelines for earmarking of funds for Development Action Plan for Scheduled Castes (DAPSC)". As per the guidelines, each obligated Ministry/Department allocates the funds under DAPSC for the socio-economic development of Scheduled Castes under their schemes. These schemes are implemented by the concerned Ministries/Departments only and the allocation of funds to States/UTs including Karnataka State is being done by the Ministries/Departments in accordance with their schemes guidelines. Funds allocated by the obligated Ministries/Departments under DAPSC is given at Statement 10A Expenditure Profile of Union Budget document in the link <https://www.indiabudget.gov.in/doc/eb/stat10a.pdf>.

(b) to (d) Department of Social Justice and Empowerment implements the centrally sponsored Scheme namely Post-Matric Scholarship for Scheduled Castes (SCs) students through State Government/ Administration of Union Territory on Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) mode with effect from 2021-22. Under the above scheme, the release of Central share of scholarship is contingent upon State Government/UTs Administrations to share the State/UT paid finally verified data to the National Scholarship Portal. The aforesaid schemes are open-ended and demand driven for all the eligible students of all the recognized institutions across India.

Details of Central share released under Central Sponsored Post-Matric Scholarship scheme for SC students during last three financial years to the beneficiaries of State of Karnataka, are as under:

Financial Year	Central Share released (Rs. In Cr.)
2023-24	421.08
2024-25	422.90
2025-26	334.22
