

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

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1206  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.12.2018**

**VENTURE CAPITAL FUND**

**1206. SHRIMATI KIRRON KHER:**

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

- (a) the number of projects assisted under the Scheme of Venture Capital Fund for Scheduled Castes (SCs) during the period of 2015-18;
- (b) the number of women entrepreneurs benefited under the scheme and the types of projects supported during the said period, State-wise;
- (c) the details of challenges being encountered in the utilisation of funds for the scheme and the measures being taken to address the same, State-wise; and
- (d) the other steps being taken by the Government to assist SC entrepreneurs?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT  
(SHRI VIJAY SAMPLA)**

- (a): During the period of 2015-18, 84 companies owned by Scheduled Castes Entrepreneurs has been assisted under Venture Capital Fund for Scheduled Castes
- (b): The state-wise list of women entrepreneurs benefited under the scheme and the types of projects supported during the said period is at Annexure.
- (c) & (d): SC entrepreneurs are scattered mostly in un-organized sectors. Since, this is a new scheme launched in 2014; the SC Entrepreneurs have less awareness about this scheme. Requisite approvals / permission/ clearances for project implementation takes time.

To overcome all these challenges various SC Entrepreneurs workshops/ meets/ Conferences across the country have been organized by IFCI. Advertisements in various languages across the country have been published. Beside SC entrepreneurs are being provided with guidance proactively with handholding support.

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## Annexure

Annexure referred in reply to Part(b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.1206 for 18.12.2018

State wise list of women entrepreneurs benefited under the Scheme of Venture Capital Fund for Scheduled Castes (SCs) during the period 2015-18

<b>STATES</b>	<b>No. of SC women Shareholders</b>	<b>Type of Projects Supported (Sectors / Industry)</b>
Andhra Pradesh	6	Industrial Products, Health Care, Power Plant, Services
Bihar	1	Furniture and Services
Delhi NCR	1	Industrial Products, FMCG
Gujarat	4	Industrial Products, Allied Agricultural Activity
Haryana	1	FMCG, Services
Karnataka	4	Industrial Products, Health Care, Services
Maharashtra	14	Industrial Products, Health Care, Services, Textile, IT/ITES, FMCG, Allied Agricultural Activity
Pondicherry	1	Industrial Products, Allied Agricultural Activity
Punjab	1	Industrial Products, Services, Textile
Tamil Nadu	4	Industrial Products, Health Care, Services, FMCG
Telangana	12	Industrial Products, Health Care, Services, Textile, IT/ITES, FMCG, Pharmaceuticals, Power Plant
Uttar Pradesh	4	Industrial Products, Services, IT/ITES, FMCG, Entertainment
West Bengal	1	FMCG, Textile
<b>Total</b>	<b>54</b>	