Government of India Ministry of Finance Department of Economic Affairs ***

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.681 ANSWERED ON MONDAY, JULY 24, 2023 (SRAVANA 2, 1945-SAKA)

TOTAL EXPENDITURE BUDGET

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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state?

- (a) the details of the amount allocated to Scheduled Caste Sub Plan (SCSP) and the Tribal Sub Plan (TSP) and the details of the total expenditure budget during the last five financial years;
- (b) the details of the amount spent under SCSP and TSP during the last five financial years;
- (c) the details of the amount under Divisible schemes of SCSP and TSP during the last five financial years;
- (d) whether the Government has taken care of unspent amount of SCSP/TSP in any year by carrying over to next financial year during the last five financial years; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PANKAJ CHAUDHARY)

(a), (b) & (c): The guidelines for allocation of Budget towards Scheduled Castes Sub Plan (SCSP) and Tribal Sub Plan (TSP) are issued by NITI Aayog and final allocations are made by respective Ministries/Departments accordingly. The details of budget allocations & utilization under SCSP and TSP for last five years, Ministry-wise, scheme-wise and year-wise are available in the Statement 10-A & 10-B of the Expenditure Profile of respective years.

(d) & (e) Government of India follows cash based budgeting under which the unutilized budget allocations lapse at the end of financial year. Hence, the unspent balances cannot be carried forward to next financial year.
