GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO. *473 TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.04.2022

HOSTELS FOR STUDENTS

*473. DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR.S.: DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:

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

- (a) whether there is acute shortage of hostels in the country for the students belonging to Scheduled Castes (SCs)/Other Backward Classes (OBCs) including female students, if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Tamil Nadu and Maharashtra along with the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether the Union Government has received any proposals from the State Governments of Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu for construction of hostel buildings for SC/OBC students during the last three years and if so, the details of proposals received and the number of proposals pending with the Union Government;
- (c) the total number of hostels constructed for SC/ OBC students during the said period and the number of hostels allotted till date;
- (d) whether the Government has any proposal for public private partnership under Babu Jagjivan Ram Chhatrawas Yojana (BJRCY) and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government has implemented any schemes for construction of hostels through Non-Governmental Organisations and institutions and if so, the details thereof along with the funds granted under these schemes?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

(DR. VIRENDRA KUMAR)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the table of the House.

Statement in answer to parts (a) to (e) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 473 to be answered on 05.04.2022 tabled by Dr. DNV Senthil Kumar S. and Dr. Subhash Ramrao Bhamre regarding "Hostels for Students"

- (a): Depending on their requirements, the State Governments including Tamil Nadu and Maharashtra, and other implementing agencies submit proposals seeking central assistance for construction of hostels under the Department's schemes namely, Babu Jagjivan Ram Chhatrawas Yojna (BJRCY) for construction of hostels for SC students and the Scheme of Construction of Hostels for OBC Boys and Girls. Central assistance is provided under both the schemes against proposals complete in all respects as per the extant scheme guidelines.
- (b): The number of proposals received from the State Governments of Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu, sanctioned by the Union Government during the last three years is given in **Appendix.** None of the complete proposals from these Governments is pending with the Central Government.
- (c): As per the scheme guidelines, the hostels have to be completed within a period of two years from the date of sanction of the project. The State Governments/ Implementing Agencies are responsible for operationalization/allotment of the hostels constructed under both the schemes and monitoring of their activities. Under the scheme of BJRCY, Since the year 2007-08, till date, 839 hostels have been sanctioned and of these, construction of 669 hostels have been completed, as reported by the implementing agencies. Under the Scheme of Construction of Hostels for OBC Boys and Girls, total number of hostels sanctioned is 1061 from 1998-99 to 2021-22 out of which 920 hostels have been completed so far under the scheme.
- (d): No, Sir. There is no such proposal.
- (e): Central assistance to Non-Government Organisations and private institutions has been discontinued from the year 2018-19 under BJRCY and thus, no funds have been released to NGOs under the Scheme since then. The Government is not implementing any scheme for NGOs for construction of hostels for OBC boys and girls.

Appendix

Number of proposals received from the State Governments of Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu during last the three years, sanctioned and pending with Union Government under the schemes of the Department

BJRCY:

Name of State	Proposal Received	Sanctioned
Maharashtra	0*	0
Tamil Nadu	12	12

^{*} No complete proposal has been received.

Scheme of Construction of Hostels for OBC Boys and Girls:

Name of State	Proposal Received	Sanctioned
Maharashtra	1**	. 0
Tamil Nadu	3	3

^{**} Incomplete proposal
