GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO.211 TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.08.2024

SCHEME FOR WELFARE OF NOMADIC TRIBES

*211 SHRI ANAND BHADAURIA:

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

- (a) the details of the schemes for welfare of nomadic tribes being run by the Government along with allocation therefor during the last three years and the current year, year and scheme-wise;
- (b) the details of schemes being run for welfare of Banjara, Lohadbadhaiya communities etc., scheme-wise; and
- (c) whether the Government proposes to provide reservation in jobs, education etc. to nomadic communities like Banjara, Lohadbadhaiya etc., if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (DR. VIRENDRA KUMAR)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply of part (a) to (c) in respect of Lok Sabha Starred Question no. 211 asked by Shri Anand Bhadauria for answer on 06.08.2024

(a) Department of Social Justice and Empowerment implements a scheme namely, Scheme for Economic Empowerment of DNTs (SEED) for the development and welfare of Denotified, Nomadic and Semi Nomadic Communities (DNT).

To support the education and welfare of students for DNT students, the Department has been implementing Umbrella Scheme of PM Young Achievers Scholarship Award Scheme for Vibrant India (PM-YASASVI) covering (i) Pre- Matric Scholarships (ii) Post- Matric Scholarships (iii) Top Class Education in Schools (iv) Top Class Education in Colleges.

The National Overseas Scholarship (NOS) Scheme is available for six DNT students for pursuing higher education abroad.

The details of Budget allocation during the last three years and current year, scheme-wise is at Annexure-1.

(b) and (c) These schemes are available to all DNT communities and there are no specific schemes for a specific community within the DNT communities.

The reservation is available in jobs and education to DNT communities which have been notified as SC/ST/OBC. Further, the DNT communities are also eligible for jobs/education under the Economically Weaker Section (EWS) category, if they meet the prescribed criteria.

Annexure-1

Annexure referred to in part (a) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 211 for answer on 6th August,2024

S. No.	Scheme	Budget Allocation (Rs. In crore)				
		2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	
1.	Scheme for Economic Empowerment of DNTs (SEED)	50.00	28.00	40.40	39.40	
2.	Pre- Matric Scholarship for OBC, EBC and DNT Students	250.00	478.00	281.00	210.00	
3.	Post- Matric Scholarship for OBC, EBC and DNT Students studying in India	1300.00	1083.00	1087.00	921.00	
	Top Class Education in Schools for OBC, EBC and DNT students	Launched in 2022-23	83.39	100.00	150.00	
	Top Class Education in Colleges for OBC, EBC and DNT students	Launched in 2023-24		90.00	515.00	

S. No	Scheme	Budget Allocation and number of DNT students availed scholarship for studying abroad (Rs. In crore					
		2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25		
- 1	National Overseas Scholarship Scheme	1.16	2.07	2.39	Under process		
	Slots reserved for DNT Students: 6	2	3	3	6		
