GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1478 TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.12.2025

WELFARE SCHEME FOR SCHEDULED CASTES

1478. SHRI M MALLESH BABU:

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

- (a) whether the Union Government continues to earmark funds for the welfare of Scheduled Castes under the Allocation for Welfare of Scheduled Castes (AWSC) and Allocation for Welfare of Scheduled Tribes (AWST) in the Ministries, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether such earmarking by the Union Government constitutes separate financial releases to States, or is implemented through tagging of funds within Centrally Sponsored and Central Sector schemes, scheme-wise;
- (c) the details of allocations made to Karnataka under AWSC and AWST, year and Ministry wise;
- (d) the total number of Scheduled Caste beneficiaries from Karnataka under major schemes of the Ministry, including the Pre-Matric and Post-Matric Scholarships, Top-Class Education Scheme and National Overseas Scholarship Scheme; and
- (e) the year-wise allocation and expenditure under the Development Action Plan for Scheduled Castes (DAPSC) and Development Action Plan for Scheduled Tribes (DAPST) in Karnataka?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI RAMDAS ATHAWALE)

(a) to (c) & (e): Yes Sir, the Union Government continues to earmark funds as per guidelines of NITI Aayog for welfare of Scheduled Castes (SCs) and Scheduled Tribes (STs) under the Development Action Plan for Scheduled Castes (DAPSC)/Allocation for Welfare of Scheduled Castes (AWSC) and Tribal Sub Plan (TSP)/Allocation for Welfare of Scheduled Tribes (AWST) for the obligatory Ministries/Departments. Schemes along-with funds allocated by the obligated Ministries/Departments for the welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes are given at Statement 10A and Statement 10B of Expenditure Profile of Union Budget document in the link https://www.indiabudget.gov.in/budget2024-25/doc/eb/stat10b. pdf and https://www.indiabudget.gov.in/budget2024-25/doc/eb/stat10b. pdf respectively.

The obligating Ministries/Departments under DAPSC earmarks funds under their schemes, which is implemented through tagging of funds within the existing Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS) and Central Sector (CS) Schemes of various Ministries/Departments.

The obligated Ministries/Departments implement the schemes under DAPSC and DAPST through their respective State line Departments and Agencies. The year-wise allocation and expenditure under DAPSC and DAPST by the obligated Ministries/Departments across the country is given at **Annexure I**.

(d): The details of the total number of Scheduled Caste beneficiaries in Karnataka for the last 3 years scheme-wise are as under:

Name of Scheme	Total number of the SC beneficiaries		
Pre-Matric Scholarship for SC	7,13,966		
Post-Matric Scholarship for SC	12,66,521		
Top-Class Education Scheme	238		
National Overseas Scholarship	6		
	Pre-Matric Scholarship for SC Post-Matric Scholarship for SC Top-Class Education Scheme		

Details of total DAPSC allocation (BE), RE and Expenditure made by Central Ministries/Departments in the country during FY 2024-25 is as below:

(Rs. in Crores)

		FY 2024-25			
S.No.	Ministry/Department Name	BE RE		Expenditure	
1	Department of Agricultural Research and Education	230.74	249.98	303.2161	
2	Department of Agriculture Cooperation and Farmers Welfare	20122.91	21551.1	11783.5851	
3	Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying	714.56	328.17	369.6995	
4	Department of Commerce	14.21	14.2	16.92	
5	Department of Consumer Affairs	1.5	1.5	1.4989	
6	Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities	125.82	112.87	121.0141	
7	Department of Fertilisers	14362.48	14496.16	14655.8015	
8	Department of Fisheries	395.32	250	73.2459	
9	Department of Food and Public Distribution	18742.8	18777.66	14954.8126	
10	Department of Health and Family Welfare	9158.05	8927.18	7793.8704	
11	Department of Higher Education	4173.6	4123.24	3929.6069	
12	Department of Land Resources	438.69	329.56	196.7982	
13	Department of Pharmaceuticals	44.62	44.61	36.16	
14	Department of Rural Development	29443.45	21063.86	23916.5172	
15	Department of School Education and Literacy	13717.24	12266.87	11159.5172	
16	Department of Science and Technology	234	195.16	184.458	
17	Department of Social Justice and Empowerment	10329.02	7919.52	7855.1191	
18	Department of Telecommunications	1585.3	1162	326.4481	
19	Ministry of Ayurveda Yoga and Naturopathy Unani (AYUSH)	133.04	132.8	193.378	
20	Ministry of Coal	70.01	70.01	78.28	
21	Ministry of Cooperation	0	0	0	
22	Ministry of Culture	43.18	43.82	43.2705	
23	Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region	490	340	348.9698	
24	Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation	16790.74	6347.58	5891.3012	
25	Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology	1483.31	1142.62	708.4183	
26	Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change	167.2	148.06	72.7934	
27	Ministry of Food Processing Industries	133.45	151.89	114.4136	
28	Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs	4283.26	1959.4	815.9318	
29	Ministry of Labour and Employment	3605.12	2910.47	226.5342	
30	Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises	3646.66	2849.13	1283.0913	
31	Ministry of Mines	23.46	23.46	21.2581	
32	Ministry of New and Renewable Energy	1225.92	1405	513.4607	
33	Ministry of Panchayati Raj	188.2	138.61	138.61	
34	Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas	978.9	1195.2	1145.3059	
35	Ministry of Power	2089.11	2089	2180.9973	
36	Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship	612.65	477.94	401.2394	
37	Ministry of Textiles	260.35	285.73	267.4489	
38	Ministry of Women and Child Development	5461.1	4588.6	4923.2303	
39	Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports	268	259.83	247.8428	
	Total	165787.97	138372.79	117294.0644	

Details of total DAPST allocation (BE), RE and Expenditure made by Central Ministries/Departments in the country during FY 2024-25 is as below:

(Rs. in crore)

S.No.	Ministry/Department Name	FY 2024-25			
	7.2	BE	RE	Exp. (P)	
1	Department of Agricultural Research and Education	119.56	129.51	159.4	
		10718.04	11172.27	10037.67	
		377.24	170.97	218.68	
		25.51	25.17	32.52	
		0.80	0.80	0.8	
	Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation	7632.19	2885.30	2561.7	
7		65.18	58.47	62.1	
8	Department of Fertilizers	7699.82	7510.06	7604.61	
9	Department of Fisheries	214.70	188.50	159.06	
10	Department of Food and Public Distribution	10169.80	10187.86	10169.8	
11	Department of Health and Family Welfare	4744.53	4624.93	4486.81	
12	Department of Higher Education	2122.30	2103.36	1946.01	
13	Department of Land Resources	264.61	195.79	123.64	
14	Department of Pharmaceuticals	22.65	23.23	18.85	
15	Department of Rural Development	26348.86	19139.77	22580.62	
16	Department of School Education and Literacy	7589.14	7331.44	6829.56	
17	Department of Science and Technology	121.21	98.70	82.32	
18	Department of Telecommunications	604.15	540.11	855.25	
19	Department of Water Resources, River	369.00	469.25	178.95	
	Development and Ganga Rejuvenation				
	Ministry of Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy (AYUSH)	81.25	78.35	105.94	
		72.54	72.54	92.07	
22	Ministry of Cooperation	•••			
		22.38	22.70	22.74	
24	Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region	1700.00	1331.00	1293.43	
	Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology	1197.38	922.35	565.96	
26		174.20	151.71	77.19	
27	Ministry of Food Processing Industries	69.15	78.70	41.81	
28	Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs	1619.48	969.41	256.51	
29	Ministry of Labour and Employment	1867.38	1509.28	906.84	
30	Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises	1881.42	1489.19	750.34	
31	Ministry of Mines	12.17	12.17	12.2	
32	Ministry of New and Renewable Energy	1259.11	1455.80	973.97	
33	Ministry of Panchayati Raj	97.50	71.81	71.81	
34	Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas	507.14	619.20	593.35	
35	Ministry of Power	1082.31	1082.00	1082.01	
36	Ministry of Road Transport and Highways	16300.00	16528.00	16576.36	
37	Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship	317.81	278.11	211.05	
	Ministry of Textiles	195.00	200.46	194.17	
39	Ministry of Tourism	103.00	32.00	29.07	
	Ministry of Tribal Affairs	12938.32	10171.55	10145.67	
41	Ministry of Women and Child Development	2380.00	1973.10	2178.97	
		145.78	141.19	146.43	
	Total	123232.61	106046.11	104436.24	