

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

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3995  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.03.2026**

**SCHEMES FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND WEAKER SECTIONS**

**3995. SHRI MANOJ KUMAR:**

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

- (a) the details and total number of beneficiaries and the funds allocated and utilized under the various schemes for SC,ST,OBC development during the 2020-21 to 2025-26, the scheme wise, State share fund and Central share fund, year, district and State/UTs -wise;
- (b) whether the Union Government has any proposal to revise the existing schemes guidelines specially PMS SC, if so, the details of modification and a copy of draft guideline scheme-wise;
- (c) the details of consultation with deferent stakeholders before finalizing the schemes guidelines;
- (d) whether it is true that, schemes are not being implemented by the State Governments in Bihar in letter and spirit, if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the Union Government to strict implementation of schemes, guidelines, create awareness among SC, ST, OBC community about various development schemes?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) to (e) : The details of major Schemes being implemented by Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment for Scheduled Castes (SCs) and Other Backward Classes (OBCs) and Ministry of Tribal Affairs for Scheduled Tribes (STs) along with the total number of beneficiaries, funds allocated and fund utilized under these Schemes during last five financial years across the Country are at **Annexure I & Annexure-II** respectively.

Further, there are 38 Ministries through which welfare of SC is undertaken and monitored under the Development Action Plan for Scheduled Castes (DAPSC) Schemes and 41 Ministries through which welfare of ST is undertaken and these Schemes are being monitored under Development Action Plan for Scheduled Tribes (DAPST). The details of allocation and expenditure by these Ministries/Departments made under DAPSC and DAPST during the last five years are at **Annexure-III**.

Review of the Schemes which also cover the revision of the existing guidelines follows a laid down procedure in consultation with concerned stakeholders.

Schemes are implemented on the basis of the timely receipt of the proposals from the State Governments/Administration of Union Territories including the State Government of Bihar. The funds are released after examination of the proposals after following the due procedure including receipt of Utilization Certificates (UCs)/fulfilment of Single Nodal Agency (SNA) balance criteria under various provisions of the Schemes. Under the major scholarship Schemes, disbursement is done through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) mode.

To ensure effective implementation and wider awareness of the Schemes across the Country and effective utilization of funds, the Department has taken various steps such as placing advertisements in National and Regional Newspapers, running Social Media campaigns and follow up with States/UTs. Also, the Schemes are regularly monitored by the Department through National level Chintan Shivirs, Regional Meetings and National Conferences with the stakeholders and State/UT officials.

**ANNEXURE-I**

Annexure referred to in part (a) to (e) in respect of Lok Sabha unstarred Q. No. 3995 for answer on 17.03.2026 regarding Schemes for Social Justice and Weaker Sections asked by Shri Manoj Kumar.

The number of beneficiaries, funds allocated and fund utilized under Major Schemes of Ministry of Department of Social Justice and Empowerment during the Financial Year (FY) 2020-21 to 2024-25:

**FY 2020-21 to 2021-22 (2 Years)**

(Rs. in crore)

Sr. No.	Programme/Schemes for Scheduled Castes(SCs) and Other Backward Classes (OBCs)	FY 2020-21			FY 2021-22		
		Fund allocated	Fund utilized	Number of beneficiaries	Fund allocated	Fund utilized	Number of beneficiaries
1	Post Matric Scholarship for SCs	3815.8	4010.1	5016082	4196.5	1978.5	3025136
2	Pre Matric Scholarship for SCs and Other	600	569.5	3122697	725	570.3	3238399
3	National Fellowship for SCs (NFSC)	125	133.1	3961	Schemes merged into SHREYAS SC schemes from FY 2021-22.		
4	National Overseas Scholarship for SCs etc. (NOS)	30	32.92	71			
5	Top Class Education for SCs (TCS)	50	52.87	3118			
6	Free Coaching for SCs and OBCs (FCS)	30	11.96	2112			
7	Scholarships for Higher Education for Young Achievers Scheme (SHREYAS) for SCs	4 Schemes (NFSC, NOS, TCS and FCS) have been merged and rename as SHREYAS-SC from FY 2021-22.					
8	Pradhan Mantri Adharsh Gram Yojana (PMAGY)	300	216.5	The adarsh gram component of PM-AJAY focuses on improving infrastructure and basic services in SC-majority villages benefitting residents of the village.	Schemes merged into PM-AJAY Scheme from FY 2021-22.		
9	Babu Jagjivan Ram Chhatrawas Yojana (BJRCY)	30	56.4	3250			
10	Special Central Assistance to Scheduled Castes Sub Plan (SCA to SCSP)	300	387	197585			
11	Pradhan Mantri Anusuchit Jaati Abhyuday Yojana (PM AJAY)	Scheme came into existence after merging 3 schemes (SCA to SCSP, BJRCY and PMAGY) from FY 2021-22.			1800.00	1820.31	1,92,224
12	Assistance to Vol. Orgns. for SCs	125	56.05	38250	Scheme restructured and renamed SHRESHTA from FY 2021-22.		
13	Scheme of Residential Education for	Scheme was known as Assistance to Vol. Orgns. for SCs up to FY			63.2	38.04	20,435

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	Students in High School in Targeted Area (SRESHTA) for SC	2020-21.					
14	Pradhan Mantri Dakshta aur Kushalta Sampann Hitgrahi	50	44.79	32097	79.48	68.23	42,002
15	PM Young Achievers Scholarship Award Scheme for Vibrant India (PM YASASVI) for OBC, EBC and DNT						
(a)	Pre-Matric Scholarship for OBC, EBC and DNT	175	165.91	54.95 lakh	250	218.45	58.62 lakh
(b)	Post-Matric Scholarship for OBC, EBC and DNT	1100	1159.25	45.45 lakh	1300	1319.96	37.73 lakh
(c)	Construction of Hostels for OBC Boys and Girls	35	31.59	3000	30	18.76	2050
(d)	Top Class Education in Schools for OBC, EBC and DNT Students**	Implemented w.e.f 2022-23					
(e)	Top Class Education in Colleges for OBC, EBC and DNT students**	Implemented w.e.f 2023-24					
16	Scholarships for Higher Education for Young Achievers Scheme (SHREYAS for OBCs and Others)						
(a)	National Fellowship for OBC Students	45	33	1233	60	55.55	1338
(b)	Dr. Ambedkar Central Sector Scheme of Interest Subsidy on Educational Loans for Overseas Studies for OBCs and EBCs	35	32.67	4342	30	26.7	6564

\*\* Financial & Physical achievements in respect of Top Class School and Top Class College Schemes are as per the Academic Year.

FY 2022-23 to 2024-25 (3 Years)

(Rs. in crore)

Sr. No.	Programme/Schemes for Scheduled Castes(SCs) and Other Backward Classes (OBCs)	FY 2022-23			FY 2023-24			FY 2024-25		
		Fund allocated	Fund utilized	Number of beneficiaries	Fund allocated	Fund utilized	Number of beneficiaries	Fund allocated	Fund utilized	Number of beneficiaries
1	Post Matric Scholarship for SCs	5660	4392.5	4647135	5400	5476.2	4738578	5500	5581.5	4804208
2	Pre Matric Scholarship for SCs and Other	500	208.6	1134268	430	446.6	2129540	450	461.6	2165983
3	National Fellowship for SCs (NFSC)	Schemes merged into SHREYAS SC schemes from FY 2021-22.								
4	National Overseas Scholarship for SCs etc. (NOS)									
5	Top Class Education for SCs (TCS)									
6	Free Coaching for SCs and OBCs (FCS)									
7	Scholarships for Higher Education for Young Achievers Scheme (SHREYAS) for SCs	344	324.74	8435	387.8	379.98	8472	428	404.6	10896
8	Pradhan Mantri Adharsh Gram Yojana (PMAGY)	Schemes merged into PM-AJAY scheme from FY 2021-22.								
9	Babu Jagjivan Ram Chhatrawas Yojana (BJRCY)									
10	Special Central Assistance to Scheduled Castes Sub Plan (SCA to SCSP)									
11	Pradhan Mantri Anusuchit Jaati Abhyuday Yojana (PM AJAY)	1062.39	164	47567	450.00	471.1	13764	800.00	736.2	5,254
12	Assistance to Vol. Organization for SCs	Scheme restructured and renamed SHRESHTA from FY 2021-22.								
13	Scheme of Residential Education for Students in High School in Targeted Area (SRESHTA) for SC	89	51.12	16479	90.65	81.57	15816	110	109.98	14,281
14	Pradhan Mantri Dakshta aur Kushalta S	84	14.94	33021	120	58.34	80185	For 2024-25 and onwards, PM-DAKSH		

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	ampann Hitgrahi										Scheme has been merged with the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana of the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE).
15	PM Young Achievers Scholarship Award Scheme for Vibrant India (PM YASASVI) for OBC, EBC and DNT										
(a)	Pre-Matric Scholarship for OBC, EBC and DNT	394.61	361.38	25,99,000	281	195.63	18,43,000	210	158.49	20,61,000	
(b)	Post-Matric Scholarship for OBC, EBC and DNT	1083	1007.99	18,05,000	1087	988.45	27,16,000	921	895.47	24,53,000	
(c)	Hostels for OBC Boys and Girls	20	18.8	2200	45	14.42	2246	30	31.84	3950	
(d)	Top Class Education in Schools for OBC, EBC and DNT Students**	83.39	1.85	1275	100	6.7	3177	60	32.48	13769	
(e)	Top Class Education in Colleges for OBC, EBC and DNT students**	Implemented w.e.f 2023-24			90	124.06	5781	159.63	317.23	14861	
16	Scholarships for Higher Education for Young Achievers Scheme (SHREYAS for OBCs and Others)										
(a)	National Fellowship for OBC Students	53	51.32	1570	90	89.7	2009	55	148.15	2,197	
(b)	Dr. Ambedkar Central Sector Scheme of Interest Subsidy on Educational Loans for Overseas Studies for OBCs and EBCs	27	23.98	4159	60	56.24	2789	25	9.49	837	

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## ANNEXURE-II

Annexure referred to in part (a) to (e) in respect of Lok Sabha unstarred Q. No. 3995 for answer on 17.03.2026 regarding Schemes for Social Justice and Weaker Sections asked by Shri Manoj Kumar.

The number of beneficiaries, funds allocated and fund utilized under Major Schemes of Ministry of Tribal Affairs during the Financial Year (FY) 2020-21 to 2024-25:

## FY 2020-21 to 2021-22 (2 Years)

(Rs. in Crore)

Sr.No.	Programme/Schemes for Scheduled Tribes(STs)	FY 2020-21			FY 2021-22		
		Fund allocated	Fund utilized	Beneficiaries	Fund allocated	Fund utilized	Beneficiaries
1	Eklavya Model Residential School (EMRS)	1200.00	936.45	90520	1057.74	1322.77	105463
2	Aid to Voluntary Organizations working for the Scheduled Tribes	60.00	59.50	975493	90.00	89.25	1005657
3	National Fellowship and Scholarship for Higher Education of ST students	120.00	120.00	5074	120.00	120.00	5444
4	Scholarship to the ST Students for Studies Abroad	4.76	4.76	30	4.95	4.95	46
5	Pre-Matric Scholarship	250.00	248.90	1439930	400.00	394.14	1377713
6	Post-Matric Scholarship	1833.00	1830.14	2005696	2257.72	2257.72	2344407

## FY 2022-23 to 2024-25 (3 Years)

(Rs. in Crore)

Sr. No.	Programme/Schemes for Scheduled Tribes(STs)	FY 2022-23			FY 2023-24			FY 2024-25		
		Fund allocated (RE)	Fund utilized (AE)	Beneficiaries	Fund allocated (RE)	Fund utilized (AE)	Beneficiaries	Fund allocated (RE)	Fund utilized (AE)	Beneficiaries
1.	Eklavya Model Residential School (EMRS)	2000	2014.94	113275	2471.81	2446.24	123841	4748.92	4713.21	138336
2.	Aid to Voluntary Organizations working for the Scheduled Tribes	110	109.25	1023055	150	120.83	1071120	160	175	1010429
3.	National Fellowship and Scholarship for Higher Education of ST students	140	145	5766	230	230	8404	240	240	9711
4.	Scholarship to the ST Students for Studies Abroad	4	4	44	7	7	65	6	6	58
5.	Pre-Matric Scholarship	357.3	357.3	1003157	411.63	308.6	929767	200	163.69	910043
6.	Post-Matric Scholarship	1965	1965	2269112	2371.01	2668.83	2064437	2462.68	2598.34	1816293

**FY 2020-21 to 2024-25 (5 Years)**

**(Rs. in Crore)**

Sr.No.	Programme/Schemes for Scheduled Tribes(STs)	FY 2020-21		FY 2021-22		FY 2022-23		FY 2023-24		FY 2024-25	
		Fund allocated	Fund utilized	Fund allocated	Fund utilized	Fund allocated	Fund utilized	Fund allocated	Fund utilized	Fund allocated	Fund utilized
1	SCA to TSP (Pradhan Mantri Adi Adarsh Gram Yojna-PMAAGY)	800	795.36	785	781.52	1354.38	1351.86	300	149.93	127.51	126.19
2	Grants under Article 275 (1)	800	799.69	900	923.24	925	976.49	1172.1	1172.1	1170.57	1170.57
3	Development of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Group (PVTGs)	140	140	160	160	124.79	137.17	0	0	74.55	73.08
4	Support to Tribal Research Institutes (TRIs)	60	60	60	60	58.5	12.4	50	43.53	90	90
5	Dharti Aaba Janjatiya Gram	Launched on 02 <sup>nd</sup> October, 2024.								500.00	477.68

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**ANNEXURE-III**

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- The year-wise allocation & expenditure by all the Ministries/Departments made under DAPSC (erstwhile AWSC/SCSP) vis-a-vis Actual Expenditure and progress of the expenditure under the Schemes during the last five years.

(Rs. in crores)

Year	DAPSC (erstwhile AWSC/SCSP) of all Ministries/Department	Expenditure	%age of Utilisation
	Fund Allocation		
2020-21	82,707.51	61,280.19	74.09
2021-22	1,39,956.42	1,18,441.17	84.63
2022-23	1,52,604.29	1,36,331.89	89.34
2023-24	1,46,861.08	1,32,167.84	90.00
2024-25	1,38,362.52	1,17,294.06	84.77

- The year-wise allocation & expenditure by the Ministries/Departments made under DAPST/TSP vis-a-vis Actual Expenditure and progress of the expenditure under the Schemes during the last five years.

(Rs. in crores)

Year	DAPST Fund Allocation	Expenditure	% of Expenditure
2020-21	51780.82	48084.10	92.86
2021-22	85930.47	82530.58	96.04
2022-23	92781.15	90972.76	98.05
2023-24	107455.64	103452.77	96.27
2024-25	106046.11	103924.95	98.00

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