

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No 6252
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.04.2026

Tribal Scholarships in Tamil Nadu

6252. Thiru Arun Nehru:

Will the Minister of **Tribal Affairs** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of tribal scholarships being provided and hostels operated in Tamil Nadu, district-wise;
- (b) the number of beneficiaries from tribal pockets of Perambalur Lok Sabha Constituency under these schemes; and
- (c) the details of the proposals pending for tribal development in central Tamil Nadu?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TRIBAL AFFAIRS
(SHRI DURGADAS UIKEY)

- (a) Ministry of Tribal Affairs implements the following Scholarship Schemes to promote and encourage secondary and higher education amongst ST population in the country, including the state of Tamil Nadu,
 - i) Pre-Matric Scholarship for ST students (Class IX and X)
 - ii) Post Matric Scholarship for ST students (Class XI and above)
 - iii) National Fellowship for Higher Education for ST students (NFST)
 - iv) National Scholarship for Higher Education for ST students (Top Class)
 - v) National Overseas Scholarship for ST students (NOS)

The No of beneficiaries under the above mentioned Scholarship schemes in the State of Tamil Nadu, district-wise is provided in the **Annexure-I**

- (b) Details of beneficiaries under above mentioned scholarship schemes within the Perambalur Lok Sabha Constituency is enclosed at **Annexure-II.**

(c) No proposal pending in the ministry related to tribal development in central Tamil Nadu.

Annexure I

Annexure to be referred in the part (a) of the reply of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 6252 dated 02.04.2026 (Thursday) asked by Thiru Arun Nehru regarding 'Tribal Scholarships in Tamil Nadu'.

1. National Fellowship (NFST) Scheme for ST Students

District-Wise Details of Beneficiaries for the State of Tamil Nadu Under the National Fellowship (NFST) Scheme for ST Students for the Last Three Years (F.Y. 2022-23 To F.Y. 2024-25)				
S. No.	District Name	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
		No. of Beneficiaries	No. of Beneficiaries	No. of Beneficiaries
1	Chennai	1	1	0
2	Coimbatore	2	1	2
3	Cuddalore	1	2	2
4	Dharmapuri	3	1	2
5	Kanniyakumari	1	1	1
6	Madurai	1	1	0
7	Namakkal	3	4	5
8	Perambalur	1	1	1
9	Ranipet	0	0	0
10	Salem	4	4	4
11	Thiruvarur	1	0	0
12	Tiruchirappalli	2	1	1
13	Tirupathur	0	0	1
14	Tiruvannamalai	1	1	0
15	Thoothukkudi	0	1	1
16	Vellore	3	2	0
17	Viluppuram	2	2	2
18	Virudhunagar	1	1	0
Total		27	24	22

2. National Scholarship (Top Class) Scheme for ST Students

District-Wise Details of Beneficiaries for the State of Tamil Nadu Under the National Scholarship (Top Class) Scheme for ST Students for the Last Three Years (F.Y. 2022-23 To F.Y. 2024-25)				
S. No.	District Name	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
		No. of Beneficiaries	No. of Beneficiaries	No. of Beneficiaries
1	Chennai	3	3	4
2	Coimbatore	1	1	1
3	Cuddalore	0	2	0
4	Dharmapuri	3	5	5
5	Kallakurichi	0	1	2
6	Krishnagiri	0	1	0
7	Nagapattinam	1	1	1
8	Namakkal	1	1	2

9	Perambalur	0	0	1
10	Salem	1	4	6
11	The Nilgiris	2	3	1
12	Thiruvallur	0	0	2
13	Thiruvarur	0	1	0
14	Tirupathur	0	0	1
15	Tiruvannamalai	2	3	1
Total		14	26	27

3. Pre-matric Scholarship Scheme for ST students

District-Wise Details of Beneficiaries for the State of Tamil Nadu Under the Pre-matric Scholarship Scheme for ST students for the Last Three Years (F.Y. 2022-23 To F.Y. 2024-25)				
S. No	District Name	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
		No. of Beneficiaries	No. of Beneficiaries	No. of Beneficiaries
1	Ariyalur	211	207	221
2	Chengalpattu	543	535	598
3	Chennai	122	170	202
4	Coimbatore	437	422	618
5	Cuddalore	395	422	479
6	Dharmapuri	1136	1118	1318
7	Dindigul	92	119	98
8	Erode	312	415	477
9	Kallakurichi	1070	1160	1108
10	Kanchipuram	237	229	253
11	Kanniyakumari	150	164	171
12	Karur	8	3	9
13	Krishnagiri	368	382	492
14	Madurai	148	211	177
15	Mayiladuthurai	41	33	58
16	Nagapattinam	42	35	58
17	Namakkal	1541	1619	1605
18	Perambalur	83	93	123
19	Pudukkottai	4	5	9
20	Ramanathapuram	6	4	9
21	Ranipet	130	126	205
22	Salem	2835	2733	2656
23	Sivagangai	7	5	9
24	Tenkasi	41	55	66
25	Thanjavur	41	73	88
26	The Nilgiris	611	517	733
27	Theni	26	26	42

28	Thiruvallur	583	543	704
29	Thiruvarur	33	29	59
30	Tiruchirappalli	410	435	441
31	Tirunelveli	61	86	103
32	Tirupathur	705	631	815
33	Tiruppur	119	161	194
34	Tiruvannamalai	1815	1519	1949
35	Tuticorin	59	86	103
36	Vellore	260	210	311
37	Villupuram	619	515	636
38	Virudhunagar	24	58	76
Total		15325	15154	17273

4. Post-matric Scholarship Scheme for ST students

District-Wise Details of Beneficiaries for the State of Tamil Nadu Under the Post-matric Scholarship Scheme for ST students for the Last Three Years (F.Y. 2022–23 To F.Y. 2024–25)				
S. No	District Name	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
		No. of Beneficiaries	No. of Beneficiaries	No. of Beneficiaries
1	Ariyalur	351	247	245
2	Chengalpattu	571	733	828
3	Chennai	268	634	878
4	Coimbatore	456	1,165	1,597
5	Cuddalore	559	541	643
6	Dharmapuri	2,378	1,941	2,098
7	Dindigul	197	258	270
8	Erode	361	582	797
9	Kallakurichi	1,693	1,074	998
10	Kancheepuram	231	351	416
11	Kanniyakumari	172	265	335
12	Karur	33	95	112
13	Krishnagiri	312	546	780
14	Madurai	255	318	368
15	Mayiladuthurai	78	55	70
16	Nagapattinam	80	68	87
17	Namakkal	2,856	3,626	4,091
18	Perambalur	110	197	258
19	Pudukkottai	54	107	84
20	Ramanathapuram	23	25	14
21	Ranipet	186	194	251
22	Salem	4,453	4,302	4,195
23	Sivagangai	8	34	34
24	Tenkasi	48	54	75

25	Thanjavur	81	175	181
26	The Nilgiris	637	533	716
27	Theni	44	56	63
28	Thoothukkudi	323	96	109
29	Tiruchirappalli	468	1,016	1,005
30	Tirunelveli	412	131	155
31	Tirupathur	724	1,172	1,185
32	Tiruppur	964	267	331
33	Tiruvallur	462	619	730
34	Tiruvannamalai	2,412	1,796	2,027
35	Tiruvarur	82	65	84
36	Vellore	335	461	632
37	Villupuram	761	600	755
38	Virudhunagar	91	83	81
	Total	23,529	24,482	27,578

Note: Post-matric Scholarship disbursement is Under Process for 2024-25

5. National Overseas Schemes (NOS) for ST students: There is no beneficiaries selected under the NOS scheme from the State of Tamil Nadu for the last three years.

Annexure to be referred in the part (b) of the reply of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 6252 dated 02.04.2026 (Thursday) asked by Thiru Arun Nehru regarding 'Tribal Scholarships in Tamil Nadu'.

1. Pre-Matric Scheme for ST Students

District-Wise Number of Beneficiaries Under the Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme for ST Students in Perambalur Lok Sabha Constituency (F.Y. 2020-21- 2024-25)						
S. No	District Name	F.Y.2020-2021	F.Y.2021-2022	F.Y.2022-2023	F.Y.2023-2024	F.Y.2024-2025
		Beneficiaries	Beneficiaries	Beneficiaries	Beneficiaries	Beneficiaries
1	Karur	6	0	9	4	0
2	Perambalur	159	0	140	28	0
3	Tiruchirappalli	772	0	676	163	0

2. Post-Matric Scheme for ST Students

District-Wise Number of Beneficiaries Under the Post-Matric Scholarship Scheme for ST Students in Perambalur Lok Sabha Constituency (F.Y. 2020-21- 2024-25)						
S. No	District Name	Beneficiaries	Beneficiaries	Beneficiaries	Beneficiaries	Beneficiaries
		F.Y. 2020-2021	F.Y. 2021-2022	F.Y. 2022-2023	F.Y. 2023-2024	F.Y. 2024-2025
1	Karur	160	0	53	10	0
2	Perambalur	454	0	347	25	0
3	Tiruchirappalli	1665	0	1526	292	2

3. National Fellowship (NFST) Scheme for ST Students

District-Wise Number of Beneficiaries Under the National Fellowship (NFST) Scheme for ST Students in Perambalur Lok Sabha Constituency (F.Y. 2020-21- 2024-25)						
S. No	District Name	F.Y.2020-21	F.Y.2021-22	F.Y.2022-23	F.Y.2023-24	F.Y.2024-25
		Beneficiaries	Beneficiaries	Beneficiaries	Beneficiaries	Beneficiaries
1	Karur	0	0	0	0	0
2	Perambalur	1	1	1	1	1
3	Tiruchirappalli	2	2	2	1	1

4. National Scholarship Scheme for ST Students (Top class)

District-Wise Number of Beneficiaries Under the National Scholarship Scheme for ST Students in Perambalur Lok Sabha Constituency (F.Y. 2020-21- 2024-25)						
S. No	District Name	F.Y.2020-21	F.Y.2021-22	F.Y.2022-23	F.Y.2023-24	F.Y.2024-25
		Beneficiaries	Beneficiaries	Beneficiaries	Beneficiaries	Beneficiaries
1	Karur	0	0	0	0	0
2	Perambalur	0	0	0	0	1
3	Tiruchirappalli	0	1	0	0	0

5. There is no beneficiaries selected under the National Overseas Scheme (NOS) from the Perambalur Lok Sabha Constituency (Karur, Perambalur and Tiruchirappalli districts for the last five years)