

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3043  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.03.2016**

**RESERVATION IN SKILL DEVELOPMENT**

**3043. SHRI M. CHANDRAKASI:**

**Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the candidates belonging to the backward and weaker sections of the society are given any special consideration/ reservation for their skill development and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) whether the Government has any new proposal/initiative for the skill development of backward sections of the society including minorities and if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF  
SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP  
(SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)**

(a) to (c) There are a number of skill development schemes across various sectors being implemented by Central Ministries/Departments. All these schemes have provisions to promote the participation in skill development programmes by all socio-economic groups including SCs/STs. Under the Craftsmen Training Scheme, candidate belonging to SC/ST category get the reservation in the proportion to their population in each State and Union Territory. In addition, National Scheduled Castes Finance and Development Corporation (NSFDC) provides grant to eligible Scheduled Caste persons for Skill Development Programmes. National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) under Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) though does not have any exclusive scheme for providing training to SC/ST/OBC candidates, however NSDC's training providers have provided training to SC/ST/OBC candidates as under:

Year	Trainings Completed as on 29 February 2016			Total
	SC	ST	OBC	
2010-11	27	4	45	76
2011-12	3,503	793	5,909	10,205
2012-13	24,207	16,475	36,785	77,467
2013-14	82,953	40,763	134,224	257,940
2014-15	130,656	56,200	214,992	401,848
2015-16	95,374	48,452	130,656	274,482

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