

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

**STARRED QUESTION NO. 332
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.08.2026**

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SC STUDENTS

***332. SHRI RAJA A:**

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

- (a) the total amount disbursed towards scholarships for Scheduled Caste (SC) students in the country during the last three years, year and State-wise;
- (b) whether there has been any delay in the disbursement of scholarships, if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) the reasons for such delays and the number of beneficiaries affected, State-wise, particularly in Tamil Nadu; and
- (d) the details of the remedial measures taken by the Government to ensure the timely release of scholarships and to effectively implement all schemes meant for SC students?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (A) TO (D) IN RESPECT OF
LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *332 FOR REPLY ON 11.08.2026
REGARDING SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SC STUDENTS ASKED BY SHRI RAJA A:**

(a): The total amount disbursed during the last three financial years towards various Scholarships Schemes for Scheduled Castes (SCs) administered by the Department is Rs. 19,216.46 Crore. The year-wise and the State and Union Territory wise details of disbursement for the last three financial years are at **Annexure**.

(b) to (d): Post Matric Scholarships for SCs and Pre-Matric Scholarships for SCs & Others are Centrally Sponsored Schemes wherein the Department releases the Central share through the central portal after the respective States and Union Territories have released their share.

National Overseas Scholarship (NOS) Scheme & Top Class Education Scheme (TCS) for SCs are Central Sector Schemes. Under, National Overseas Scholarship (NOS) Scheme, funds are released in advance through Letter of Authorisation (LoA) to Indian Missions. The funds under Top Class Education Scheme (TCS) are released directly to the eligible students through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) Mode.

The Department reviews the Schemes to resolve and take up issues such as delayed release of scholarships through regular capacity building programmes, technical handholding, National level Chintan Shivirs and workshops for all States & UTs and other stakeholders.

Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) into the Aadhaar seeded bank account of the beneficiaries have streamlined the payment processes and reduced delays.

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (A) IN RESPECT OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *332 FOR REPLY ON 11.08.2026 REGARDING SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SC STUDENTS ASKED BY SHRI RAJA A

The total amount disbursed during the last three financial years:

(Rs. In Crore)

S.No	Name of Scheme	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	Total
1.	Post Matric Scholarship for SC students	5475.42	5562.26	6186.95	17224.63
2.	Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme for SCs & Others	446.66	460.90	562.36	1469.92
3.	Top Class Education Scheme (TCS)	83.84	103.26	117.19	304.29
4.	National Overseas Scholarship (NOS) Scheme for SC etc candidates	88.56	74.17	54.89	217.62
	Total	6094.48	6200.59	6921.39	19,216.46

The year-wise and the State and UT wise details of disbursement for the last three financial years:

1. Post Matric Scholarship Scheme for SC students:

{Central Assistance (CA) in Rs. in Crore}

Financial Year		2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
SI No.	State/UT	Central Assistance Released	Central Assistance Released	Central Assistance Released
1	Andhra Pradesh	200.50	605.71	513.52
2	Assam	13.90	8.74	18.13
3	Bihar	21.29	23.97	45.18
4	Chandigarh	0.59	2.70	2.87
5	Chhattisgarh	36.14	39.96	53.60
6	DD&DNH	0.00	0.00	0.00
7	Delhi	9.97	22.19	29.74
8	Goa	0.04	0.08	0.0091
9	Gujarat	384.23	399.93	282.54
10	Haryana	120.59	94.89	127.91
11	Himachal Pradesh	22.41	35.64	18.00
12	Jammu and Kashmir	4.68	4.09	4.19
13	Jharkhand	31.39	45.04	32.96
14	Karnataka	421.09	422.90	334.22
15	Kerala	119.17	160.70	72.60
16	Madhya Pradesh	366.81	486.74	493.42
17	Maharashtra	1652.98	929.92	1095.80
18	Manipur	1.94	6.76	4.36
19	Meghalaya	0.00	0.10	0.14
20	Odisha	127.44	181.51	311.99
21	Puducherry	2.86	3.20	2.24
22	Punjab	284.87	410.42	525.61
23	Rajasthan	147.13	180.59	220.73
24	Sikkim	0.52	0.44	0.54
25	Tamil Nadu	713.70	1032.09	1034.94
26	Telangana	0.00	0.00	213.79
27	Tripura	40.93	51.61	54.22
28	Uttar Pradesh	674.83	366.02	617.64
29	Uttarakhand	12.94	19.69	20.14
30	West Bengal	62.48	26.63	55.93
Total		5475.42	5562.26	6186.95

2. Pre Matric Scholarship Scheme for SCs & Others:

{Central Assistance (CA) in Rs. in Crore}

Financial Year		2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
S.No.	State/ UT	Central Assistance Released	Central Assistance Released	Central Assistance Released
1	Andhra Pradesh	56.14	0.03	62.23
2	Assam	0.00	0.70	1.14
3	Bihar	15.76	3.35	40.45
4	Chandigarh	0.38	0.31	0.15
5	Chhattisgarh	8.88	5.04	4.87
6	DD&DNH	0.00	0.00	0.00
7	Delhi	0.16	0.19	0.12
8	Goa	0.00	0.00	0.00
9	Gujarat	57.59	42.82	19.91
10	Haryana	0.00	0.00	0.00
11	Himachal Pradesh	7.70	2.85	11.30
12	Jammu and Kashmir	0.54	0.82	0.90
13	Jharkhand	0.00	14.30	11.01
14	Karnataka	49.21	58.31	67.86
15	Kerala	2.56	18.21	1.14
16	Madhya Pradesh	0.00	81.00	50.48
17	Maharashtra	0.00	0.11	2.47
18	Manipur	0.26	0.30	0.41
19	Meghalaya	0.00	0.00	0.00
20	Odisha	7.08	18.20	27.59
21	Puducherry	0.15	0.14	0.12
22	Punjab	21.65	8.78	48.00
23	Rajasthan	28.23	8.66	25.66
24	Sikkim	0.00	0.00	0.02
25	Tamil Nadu	70.56	109.45	121.49
26	Telangana	0.00	0.00	0.00
27	Tripura	0.67	1.93	2.38
28	Uttar Pradesh	79.66	62.80	19.22
29	Uttarakhand	3.12	3.12	3.22
30	West Bengal	36.36	19.48	40.22
Total		446.66	460.90	562.36

3. Scholarships for Higher Education for Young Achievers for Scheduled Castes (SHREYAS-SCs) being a Central Sector Scheme, there is no State-wise/district-wise allocation:

(i) Top Class Scholarship for SC Students (TCS):

(Rs. In Cr)

Financial Year	Fund Released
2023-24	83.84
2024-25	103.26
2025-26	117.19
Total	304.29

(ii) National Overseas Scholarship (NOS) Scheme for SC etc. Candidates

(Rs. In Cr)

Financial Year	Fund Released
2023-24	88.56
2024-25	74.17
2025-26	54.89
Total	217.62
