

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

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3852
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.08.2026**

POST-MATRIC SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS FOR SCHEDULED CASTES

3852. SHRI ABHISHEK BANERJEE:

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

- (a) the total allocation and release under post-matric scholarships for Scheduled Castes during the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) the details of States where funds have not been released in full; and
- (c) whether the Government has reviewed the reasons for delay in fund release, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): Budget Allocation (Revised Estimate) and Actual Expenditure (AE) under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Post-Matric Scholarships for Scheduled Castes (SCs) during the last three Financial Years (FYs) are at **Annexure-I**. The State/UT-wise details of central share released under the scheme during the last three Financial Years (FYs) are at **Annexure-II**.

Since the introduction of Direct Benefits Transfer (DBT) from the year 2021-22 under the Post-Matric Scholarships Scheme for Scheduled Castes (SCs), the central share of scholarship amount is disbursed directly into the Aadhaar seeded account of the beneficiary leading to simpler and faster flow of funds. The scheme is open ended and demand driven in nature. The release of Central share of scholarship is purely contingent upon State Government/ Administration of Union Territory releasing their share and pushing the State/UT share paid finally verified data on to the National Scholarship Portal. The States and UTs are the implementing agencies. Hence, various issues regarding the implementation of the Scheme, including delay in disbursement of scholarship, are regularly taken up with the concerned stakeholders, including the States/UTs.

ANNEXURE-I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN PART (a) IN RESPECT OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED Q. NO. 3852 FOR ANSWER ON 11.08.2026 REGARDING POST-MATRIC SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS FOR SCHEDULED CASTES ASKED BY SHRI ABHISHEK BANERJEE

Amount (Rs. in Cr.)

Financial Year		2023-24		2024-25		2025-26	
Sr.No.	Scheme Name	Budget Allocation (RE)	Actual Expenditure (AE)	Budget Allocation (RE)	Actual Expenditure (AE)	Budget Allocation (RE)	Actual Expenditure (AE)
1	Post Matric Scholarship for SCs	5400	5475.42	5500	5581.52	6000	6208.08

RE- Revised Estimate.

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Post-Matric Scholarship Scheme for SC students:

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

Financial Year		2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Sl No.	State/UT	CA Released	CA Released	CA Released
1	Andhra Pradesh	200.5	605.71	513.52
2	Assam	13.9	8.74	18.13
3	Bihar	21.29	23.97	45.18
4	Chandigarh	0.59	2.7	2.87
5	Chhattisgarh	36.14	39.96	53.6
6	DD&DNH	0	0	0
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	120.58	94.89	127.91
11	Himachal Pradesh	22.4	35.64	18
12	Jammu & Kashmir	4.68	4.09	4.19
13	Jharkhand	31.39	45.04	32.96
14	Karnataka	421.08	422.9	334.22
15	Kerala	119.17	160.7	72.6
16	Madhya Pradesh	366.8	486.74	493.42
17	Maharashtra	1652.98	929.92	1095.8
18	Manipur	1.94	6.76	4.36
19	Meghalaya	0	0.1	0.14
20	Odisha	127.44	181.51	311.99
21	Puducherry	2.85	3.2	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	713.7	1032.09	1034.94
26	Telangana	0	0	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		5475.43	5562.26	6186.95
