related to creamy layer equivalence among the Socially and Educationally Backward Classes (SEBCs);

- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the committee has submitted the report; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI KRISHAN PAL): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. An Expert Committee was constituted by the Government of India under the Chairmanship of Shri B.P. Sharma (former Secretary, DOPT) on 08.03.2019 to examine the issues related to Creamy layer equivalence among the Socially and Educationally Backward Classes (SEBCs).

(c) and (d)I Yes, Sir. Expert Committee has submitted its report to the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment on 17.09.2019.

Financial assistance provided to NGOs

1907. SHRI RAJMANI PATEL: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) how many NGOs have been given financial assistance during the period 2014-2019 by the Ministry; and
- (b) if so, how many people have been benefited by these NGOs during the said period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA): (a) and (b) The Number of NGOs which have been given financial assistance by the Ministry under various welfare schemes and the number of people benefited, during the period 2014-2019, is given in the Statement.

Statement

Details of NGOs, which have been financial assistance under various welfare Schemes and number of beneficiaries

Sl.No. Name of Schemes		2014-15		2015-16		2016-17		2017-18		2018-19	
		No. of NGO Assisted	No. of Benefici- aries	No. of NGO Assisted	No. of Benefici- aries						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1.	Grant-in- Aid to Voluntary and other organisations working for Schduled Castes (SCs)	165	20203	105	16209	226	29830	113	18568	128	10100
2.	Free Coaching for SC and OBC Students	41	6126	36	4300	10	250	26	2247	21	1296
3.	Babu Jagjivan Ram Chhatrawas Yojna (BJRCY)	8	812	9	1005	0	0	0	0	0	0

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
4.	Assistance for Skill Development for OBCs/ EBCs/DNTs	\$	11410	\$	15146	\$	18748	\$	23380	\$	25040
5.	Integrated Programme for Senior Citizen (IPSr. C)	248	18225	332	22920	328	40200	333	40450	354	34920
6.	Assistance for Prevention of Alcoholism and Substance (Drug) Abuse	259	108855	289	146124	281	1 14759	253	100737	298	77479

^{\$-} Under Skill Development Training Programme, National Backward Classes Finance and Development Corporation (NBCFDC) facilitates skill development training to target beneficiaries through Government Training Institutes (TIs) and Sector Skil! Council (SSCs) who are in turn allotting the Training Programme to various training partners affiliated by them which includes NGOs/VOs as well.

Note: The Department of Empowerment Persons with Disabilities under the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment implements several schemes separately under which total 3,340 NGOs have been given financial assistance during 2014-19 and total number of beneficiaries benefitted by these NGOs is 2,94,982.