

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO – 450**  
ANSWERED ON - 06/12/2023

**SCHEDULED CASTES SUB PLAN**

450 DR. V. SIVADASAN

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

- (a) the amount earmarked for Scheduled Castes Sub Plan in the Union budget for the last five years, year-wise details;
- (b) the amount actually spent, year-wise data for the last five years; and
- (c) the details of unspent and lapsed amount, year-wise data for the last five years?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

(SHRI RAMDAS ATHAWALE)

(a) (b) & (c) The amount earmarked, spent, unspent and lapsed under Scheduled Caste Sub Plan (SCSP), now known as Development Action Plan for Scheduled Castes (DAPSC), during the last five financial years is given in below **Table**:

(Rs. in crores)

Year	DAPSC (erstwhile AWSC/SCSP) amount allocated		Amount Spent	Unspent and lapsed Amount
	B.E.	R.E.		
2018-19	56618.50	62473.61	52655.37	9818.24
2019-20	81340.74	72936.29	61894.03	11042.26
2020-21	83256.62	82707.51	62785.16	19922.35
2021-22	126339.45	139951.67	123009.63	16942.04
2022-23	142342.36	152604.29	138642.75	13961.54

\*[This Data is taken from e-Utthaan portal]

It is also mentioned that in the year 2020-21, the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, which has been entrusted with the task of monitoring of Scheduled Castes Sub-Plan (SCSP)/Development Action Plan for Scheduled Castes (DAPSC) based on the overall framework designed by NITI Aayog since the year 2017, proposed that the unspent funds up to Rs. 950 Cr. by few Ministries/ Departments in the year 2020-21, could be reallocated to the nodal Ministry as a Pilot Project and accordingly requested Department of Expenditure (DoE) to give their “in Principal Approval” to the Pilot Project for Rs. 950 Cr. for the welfare of SCs. DoE gave their “in Principal Approval” to the same. DoE later agreed to allocate the unspent amount of Rs. 950 Cr. to the nodal Ministry, i.e., M/o Social Justice & Empowerment as an additionality in the Pradhan Mantri Anusuchit Jaati Abhyuday Yojna (PM-AJAY).

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