

ADI DRAVIDAR AND TRIBAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT

POLICY NOTE 2010 – 2011

“கொடையளி செங்கோல் குடியோம்பல் நான்கும்
உடையானாம் வேந்தர்க்க கொளி”

– திருவள்ளுவர் (அதிகாரம் 39)

Gifts, grace, right sceptor, care of People's weal;
These four a light of dreaded kings reveal.

- Thiruvalluvar (Adhikaram 39)

He is the light of kings who has these four things: beneficence, benevolence, rectitude and care for his people.

The Tamilnadu Government under the dynamic and strong leadership of the Hon'ble Chief Minister have formulated various welfare schemes to achieve socio-economic and educational development of the Adi Dravidar and Tribals in the State.

As per 2001 census, the total population of Tamilnadu is 624.06 lakhs and out of which the population of Adi Dravidar is 118.58 lakhs (19%) and that of Tribal is 6.51 lakhs (1.04%). With the sustained efforts of the Government by running of Adi Dravidar & Tribal Welfare Schools and Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan and disbursement of scholarships to a large number of Adi Dravidar / Tribal students and also by distributing free books / note books/special guides, bicycles, uniforms and by providing hostel facilities to the students for these vulnerable groups of the society the literacy rates and educational standard among Adi Dravidar / Tribes have been showing an impressive upwards trends and it is hoped that in the near future the disparity between the general population and Adi Dravidar/Tribal communities in educational advancement would be removed. It is the endeavour of the State Government to improve the livelihood of these sections and to bring them up by introducing and implementing various welfare schemes with strong commitment to seek social justice by providing physical and social infrastructure for their socio-economic development.

A great emphasis is laid down by the Government that all Adi Dravidar and Tribal students be provided with excellent and adequate education so that they could also rise up in their way of life as others. The Government have, therefore,

formulated many progressive schemes to achieve these objectives. Some of them are: provision of scholarships, free education in degree courses/post-graduate / professional courses, free supply of uniforms and bicycles, incentives to educational advancement of rural girl students and a large number of hostels are maintained by Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department providing free boarding and lodging for Adi Dravidar and Tribal students in the State.

RESERVATION

The implementation of Rule of Reservation in a proper manner provides for the adequate representation of Adi Dravidar and Tribal people to seek social justice. All Recruiting Agencies of the Government viz. Tamilnadu Public Service Commission, Tamilnadu Teachers Recruitment Board, Tamilnadu Uniformed Services Recruitment Board follow 18% and 1% rule of reservation, in respect of Adi Dravidar and Tribes people respectively. Whenever, Adi Dravidar/Tribes candidates are not available as per this reservation, those posts are notified as backlog vacancies and are filled up in the succeeding years.

Wherever inadequacy of representation of Adi Dravidar / Tribal is noticed, steps are being taken to fill up those vacancies by the departments. A High Level Committee has been constituted under the Chairmanship of the Minister for Adi Dravidar Welfare. As recommended by this committee, as a first step, to incorporate the provisions in the rules for filling up of shortfall vacancies of Adi Dravidar / Tribes by direct recruitment through the Recruitment Agencies, orders have been issued by making an amendment to General Rule 22 of the Tamil Nadu State and Subordinate Service Rules by introducing a New Clause 22 (g). Hence, as per this amendment, shortfall vacancies identified by the High Level Committee can be filled up by direct recruitment and if necessary, the Special Rules could also be amended. This High Level Committee reviews the shortfall vacancies of each Government Department and action is being taken to fill up the same.

Special Reservation for Arunthathiyars

Among the Adi-Dravidar, the Arunthathiars are still at the lowest rung in terms of their socio-economic and educational status. In order to provide special

concessions to them for their social upliftment, an Act viz. The Tamilnadu Arunthathiyars (Special Reservation of seats in Educational Institutions including Private Educational Institutions and of appointments or posts in the Services under the State within the Reservation for the Scheduled Castes) Act, 2009 (Tamilnadu Act 4 of 2009) has been enacted offering 3% reservation to Arunthathiars within the 18% reservation available for the Adi Dravidar and brought into force from 29.4.2009. After the enactment of this Act., 56 Arunthathiars have been admitted in Medical courses and 1165 are admitted in Engineering courses during this academic year 2009-10. Due reservation is also given to Arunthathiars by the Recruitment Agencies viz., The Teachers Recruitment Board, Tamilnadu Public Service Commission, Tamilnadu Uniformed Services Recruitment Board etc., in public service.

I. ADI DRAVIDAR WELFARE

Scheduled Castes Sub Plan (SCSP)

In Tamilnadu, the Scheduled Castes Sub Plan (SCSP) is implemented since 1980-81. The basic objective of this Sub-plan is to channelise the flow of funds from the State Annual Plan Outlay to the SCSP atleast in the proportion of Scheduled Castes population in the State i.e 19% to bridge the gap in socio-economic and educational development of Scheduled Castes with the general population of the State.

The Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department has been designated as the Nodal Department and Principal Secretary of this Department is the Nodal Officer for formulation and implementation of SCSP. The Commissioner of Adi Dravidar Welfare has been designated as Monitoring Officer to monitor and review the schemes under SCSP at district level. There are 21 Sectoral Departments which are implementing the schemes formulated under the SCSP in their own departments for the development of Scheduled Castes.

The details of flow and expenditure under SCSP since 2005-06 are furnished below:

(Rs. in crore)

Year	Annual Plan Outlay(APO)	Target to SCSP	Expenditure			% of the expr. over APO
			Divisible	Indivisible	Total	
2005-06	9100	2104.55	554.82	1,182.03	1,736.85	19.09%
2006-07	12500	3117.86	1243.69	1219.35	2,463.04	19.70%
2007-08	14000	3356.88	1681.59	1222.03	2,903.62	20.74%
2008-09	16000	4178.31	2551.70	901.66	3,453.36	21.58%
2009-10*	17500	4602.68	2146.69	471.87	2,618.56	14.96%
Total	69100	17360.28	8178.49	4996.94	13175.43	--

*(upto Feb'2010)

This is the first time that the State Government have allocated a sum of Rs.3828.00 crores in the Budget of 2010-11 for Scheduled Castes Sub Plan (Divisible), which is 19.14% of State's Annual Plan Outlay. The entire allocation has been made under the minor head – 789, meant for Scheduled Castes Sub Plan (SCSP).

Education

The total number of schools functioning under the Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department are as follows :-

Sl. No.	Classification of Schools	No. of Schools	No. of Students
1.	Adi Dravidar Welfare Schools	1073	2,10,354
2.	Government Tribal Residential Schools(GTR)	296	40,608
TOTAL		1369	2,50,962

During the year 2009-10, the Government had earmarked Rs.671.74 crores for education from out of the total budget provision of Rs.872.39 crores of this Department which comes to 77%.

For the year 2010-11, the Government have provided a budget provision of Rs.889.38 crores. Out of the total budget provision a sum of Rs.720.74 crores has been allocated for education which comes to 81%. The Government of India have fixed the annual income limit of the parents or guardian's of Adi Dravidar / Tribal students at Rs.1,00,000/- and Rs.1,08,000/- respectively for the eligibility for the Government of India Post Matric Scholarship.

1. Educational Scholarship Schemes

(a) Government of India Post-Matric Scholarship (beyond X Standard)

The Post-matric scholarship is given to those students who continue their studies beyond Xth std. Under the Government of India's Post-matric scholarship scheme, the Adi Dravidar and Tribal students, whose parents / guardian's income does not exceed Rs.1,00,000/- and Rs.1,08,000/- per annum respectively are given a maximum assistance of Rs.330/- per month depending upon the class in which they study to meet the compulsory expenditure such as purchase of note books etc. and compulsory fees payable by them to the educational institutions. However, in case of students staying in the hostels, they are given a maximum of Rs.740/- per month as maintenance allowance depending upon the class in which they study. Besides this, all the compulsory fees payable by the students are paid direct to the respective Government / Government Aided Educational Institutions.

Achievement since 2006-07

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Achievement	
		Physical	Financial
1.	2006-07	3,92,037	11,864.75
2.	2007-08	4,04,558	12,469.58
3.	2008-09	4,32,601	14,596.42
4.	2009-10	5,10,114	16,972.31
Total		17,39,310	55,903.06

For the year 2010-11, a sum of Rs.17119.00 lakhs has been provided for this scheme.

(b) State Special Post-Matric Scholarship (beyond X Standard)

The State Government sanction the Post-matric Special scholarship to Adi Dravidar converted to Christianity students who are not eligible under the Government of India's Scholarship Scheme. Students who pursue further studies beyond Standard X are given Rs.65/- to Rs.125/- for a day-scholar and Rs.115/- to Rs.280 for a hosteller per month towards the maintenance charges and compulsory fees depending upon the class in which they study.

The candidate studying in Industrial Training Institutes, irrespective of their minimum educational qualification are also offered Post-matric scholarship.

The post-matric scholarship of Government of India and that of the State Government are disbursed through the educational institutions.

Achievement since 2006-07
(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Achievement	
		Physical	Financial
1.	2006-07	33,393	396.69
2.	2007-08	45,617	587.57
3.	2008-09	57,611	660.48
4.	2009-10	60,951	747.42
Total		1,97,572	2392.16

For the year 2010-11, a sum of Rs.850.00 lakhs has been provided for this scheme.

(c) Scholarship scheme upto X Standard (Pre-matric) for the children of those engaged in unclean occupation

The Children of those engaged in unclean occupation who pursue their studies are given this scholarship irrespective of their religion, caste and income. The quantum of scholarship and adhoc-grant per student are given as under:

(i) Scholarship

1st standard to 10th Standard Rs.110/- per month
(Boys / girls not staying in the hostel)

3rd standard to 10th Standard Rs.700/- per month
(Boys / girls staying in the hostel)

(ii) Adhoc grants

Boys/Girls not staying in the hostel Rs.750/- per annum
Boys/Girls staying in the hostel Rs.1000/- per annum

A sum of Rs.745.80 lakhs was provided earlier during the year 2009-10 which was increased to Rs.1039.82 lakhs in the Revised Estimate benefiting 70,378 students.

Achievement since 2006-07

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Achievement	
		Physical	Financial
1.	2006-07	54,235	598.82
2.	2007-08	54,597	627.87
3.	2008-09	69,096	724.03
4.	2009-10	70,378	942.87
Total		2,48,306	2893.59

For the year 2010-11, a sum of Rs.900.02 lakhs has been provided for the scheme.

(d) Higher Education Special Scholarship (HESS)

The scheme of Loan Scholarship was converted into grant-based scheme known as "Higher Education Special Scholarship" (HESS). Under this scheme, the students who pursue degree course is given Rs.6,500/- and Rs.7,000/- per annum for post graduate and professional course respectively. However, the Medical course student is given Rs.7,000/- per annum, out of which 75% is treated as amount of scholarship and 25% as loan.

Achievement since 2006-07

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Achievement	
		Physical	Financial
1.	2006-07	15284	1028.81
2.	2007-08	16569	1120.29
3.	2008-09	21542	1376.06
4.	2009-10	23160	1563.32
Total		76555	5088.48

For the year 2010-11, a sum of Rs.1696.73 lakhs has been provided to this scheme.

(e) Overseas Scholarship

Of late, students aspire to pursue higher studies abroad in the field of Engineering, Technology and other Science disciplines. To cater to their needs, the Overseas Scholarship is being awarded. This scholarship is given to the candidates whose total income from all sources including employment or that of his parents / guardian's, does not exceed Rs.12,000/- per month. During the current year 2 candidates are selected for this scholarship.

2. Educational Fees Concessions

(a) Tuition Fees Concession

The students belonging to Adi Dravidar / Tribal / Adi Dravidar converted to Christianity are exempted from payment of Tuition fees without taking into account of the parent's / guardian's annual income, if they study in the Government / Government aided educational Institutions. This concession is provided to these students upto graduate level. During 2009-10, 8659 students got benefited at a cost of Rs.377.93 lakhs.

For the year 2010-11, a sum of Rs.350.90 lakhs has been provided for this scheme.

(b) Special Fees and Examination Fees Concessions to Under Graduate students

Students pursuing under-graduate courses whose parent's/guardian's income exceeds the income limit as prescribed by the Government of India / State Government are exempted from payment of Special Fees and Examination Fees. During 2009-10, 6078 students got benefited at a cost of Rs.73.24 lakhs.

For the year 2010-11, a sum of Rs.94.50 lakhs has been provided for the scheme.

(c) Special Fees and Examination Fees Concessions to Post Graduate Girls students

Girls students who pursue Post-Graduate courses and whose parent's / guardian's income exceeds the limit as prescribed by Government of India / State

Government for the Post Matric Scholarship are exempted from the payment of Special Fees and Examination fees. During 2009-10, 1520 students got benefited at a cost of Rs.39.08 lakhs.

For the year 2010-11, a sum of Rs.52.50 lakhs has been provided for this scheme.

(d) Special Fees Concession from 6th to 12th Standard

The Adi Dravidar / Tribal / Adi Dravidar converted to Christianity students studying in standard 6th to 12th are exempted from the payment of special fees. The expenditure incurred by the educational institutions concerned on account of the exemption granted are reimbursed by this Department.

Achievement since 2006-07

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Achievement	
		Physical	Financial
1.	2006-07	10,77,585	475.11
2.	2007-08	12,15,200	486.08
3.	2008-09	1,05,852	102.40
4.	2009-10	1,30,884	127.08
Total		2529521	1190.67

From 2008-09 academic year, special fees is reimbursed for all students studying in general schools by the Education Department and for all students studying in Adi Dravidar Welfare and GTR schools, special fees is reimbursed by Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department.

During 2010-11, a sum of Rs.113.40 lakhs has been allotted in the Budget to implement this scheme.

(e) Public Examination Fees / Application Fees / Registration Fees Concessions

The Adi Dravidar / Tribal / Adi Dravidar converted to Christianity students studying in Standards X and XII are exempted from the payment of public examination fees and Adi Dravidar / Tribal / Adi Dravidar converted to Christianity

students studying Under Graduate, Post Graduate and Professional courses in Government / Government aided Colleges are provided Application Fees / Registration Fees.

Achievement since 2006-07

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Achievement	
		Physical	Financial
1.	2006-07	3,58,489	705.31
2.	2007-08	2,35,743	447.61
3.	2008-09	1,14,856	243.68
4.	2009-10	90,741	169.63
Total		7,99,829	1566.23

In order to encourage Tamil Medium education, Government have ordered exemption of examination fees in Tamil Medium since 2007-08. The examination fees for other medium Adi Dravidar / Scheduled Tribes / Adi Dravidar Converted Christianity students is reimbursed by Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department to Directorate of Government examination.

For the year 2010-11, a sum of Rs.470.94 lakhs has been provided in the budget for this scheme.

3. Special Incentive Scheme for Encouraging Girls' Education

Education brings overall development to the society. Hence, it is felt necessary to improve the standard of education of Adi Dravidar and Tribal girl students at the beginning itself. Under the special scheme of encouraging girls education and to ensure their 100% enrollment, a sum of Rs.50/- per month is given to each student as incentive for 10 months of the year for 60,000 Adi Dravidar and Tribal girls studying in Standards III to V. As far as Adi Dravidar girls are concerned, this scheme is being implemented in 16 educationally backward Districts namely Dharmapuri, Krishnagiri, Thiruvannamalai, Cuddalore, Villupuram, Virudhunagar, Kancheepuram, Thiruvallur, Vellore, Salem, Namakkal, Tiruchirappalli, Perambalur,

Ariyalur, Karur and Nagapattinam. Whereas, for Tribal girls, this scheme is being implemented in all the Districts of the State except Chennai. During 2009-10, 60000 students got benefited at a cost of Rs.300.00 lakhs.

In order to benefit more number of girl students, the Government have increased quantum of assistance from Rs.300.00 lakhs to Rs.400.00 lakhs for the year 2010-11.

To encourage girl students to continue their studies from VI standard, each Adi Dravidar and tribal girl student is given a sum of Rs.100/- per month as an incentive for 10 months, thus annually covering 30,000 Adi Dravidar and Tribal girls in all districts except Chennai at the cost of Rs.300.00 lakhs.

Achievement since 2006-07

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Achievement	
		Physical	Financial
1.	2006-07	30,000	300.00
2.	2007-08	30,000	300.00
3.	2008-09	30,000	300.00
4.	2009-10	30,000	300.00
Total		1,20,000	1200.00

To benefit more number of girl's students, the Government have increased the quantum of assistance from Rs.300.00 lakhs to Rs.400.00 lakhs for the year 2010-11.

4. Awards for the Best Students (State Level)

Various prize money schemes are implemented to encourage Adi Dravidars/ Tribals students to score higher marks in their Public Examinations. Students who secure the highest marks in Standards X and XII Public Examinations at the State Level are awarded prizes as detailed below:

1.	Standard XII	One boy and one girl from each community of Adi Dravidar / Tribal / Adi Dravidar converted to Christianity at Rs.25,000/- per student securing first rank at State level.
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2.	Standard X	One boy and one girl from each community of Adi Dravidar / Tribal / Adi Dravidar converted to Christianity at Rs.10,000/- per student securing first rank at State level.
3.	Standard XII Examination State Level (25 Subjects)	One boy or one girl from each community of Adi Dravidar / Tribal / Adi Dravidar converted to Christianity at Rs.2,000/- per student securing highest marks at State level in each subject (25 subjects).
4.	Standard X Examination State Level (5 subjects)	One boy or one girl from each community from Adi Dravidar / Tribal / Adi Dravidar converted to Christianity at Rs.1,000/- per student securing highest marks at State level in each subject (5 subjects).

During the year 2009-10, a sum of Rs. 3.75 lakhs spent for this scheme benefiting 102 students.

For the year 2010-11, also a sum of Rs. 3.75 lakhs has been provided for this purpose.

5. Awards for the Best Students (District Level)

Students who secure highest marks in std. X and XII Public Examinations at the District Level are also awarded prizes as follows:

1.	Standard XII	One boy and one girl from among Adi Dravidar/ Tribal / Adi Dravidar converted to Christianity at Rs.3,000/- per student
2.	Standard X (Three Prizes)	
	First Prize	One boy and one girl from among Adi Dravidar / Tribal / Adi Dravidar converted to Christianity at Rs.1,000/- per student.
	Second Prize	One boy and one girl from among Adi Dravidar / Tribal / Adi Dravidar converted to Christianity at Rs.500/- per student.
	Third Prize	One boy and one girl from among Adi Dravidar / Tribal / Adi Dravidar converted to Christianity at Rs.300/- per student.

During the year 2009-10, a sum of Rs.3.10 lakhs spent for 240 students who secured highest marks.

For the year 2010-11, also a sum of Rs.3.16 lakhs has been provided for the scheme.

6. Chief Minister's Merit Award

Under this scheme, 1000 boys and 1000 girls belonging to Adi Dravidar / Tribal / Adi Dravidar converted to Christianity, in order of marks in +2 Public examination and who continue their higher studies are given a sum of Rs.1,500/- per annum as an award to each student for a period of 5 years. During the year 2009-10, a sum of Rs.64.42 lakhs was sanctioned and utilised the amount of Rs.50.73 lakhs to 3332 students.

For the year 2010-11, a sum of Rs.67.64 lakhs has been provided for this scheme.

7. Annal Gandhi Memorial Award

This Government of India cash award is given in memory of Mahatma Gandhiji to the Adi Dravidar student who secure first rank in each district in +2 Public Examinations. An award of Rs.1,500/- per annum for the first year and Rs.1,000/- per annum for the subsequent five years is given under this scheme to one boy and one girl student in a district. A sum of Rs.2.28 lakhs was incurred during the year 2009-10 benefitting 176 students.

For the year 2010-11, a sum of Rs.3.34 lakhs has been provided for the scheme.

8. Special Prize Money Award

Under this scheme special prize is awarded to the Adi Dravidar / Tribal / Adi Dravidar converted to Christianity students who have passed with 60% and above marks in degree, post-graduate and professional courses examinations. The prize money awards ranges from Rs.2,000/- to Rs.5,000/- against each covering 550 students. A sum of Rs.18.50 lakhs was incurred in the year 2009-10.

For the year 2010-11, a sum of Rs.18.50 lakhs has been provided for this scheme.

9. Merit-cum-Means Award for Scheduled Tribes & Adi Dravidar Converted to Christianity students

Similar to the Annal Gandhi Memorial Award, which is for Adi Dravidar students only, the Merit-cum-Means Award is given to one boy and one girl

belonging to the Scheduled Tribes and Adi Dravidar converted to Christianity students in each district by the State Government who secure first ranks. During the year 2009-10, a sum of Rs.1.20 lakhs disbursed to 114 students.

For the year 2010-11, a sum of Rs.1.20 lakhs has been provided for this scheme.

10. Awards to Bright Students

Under this scheme, two Boys and two Girls among each category i.e. the Adi Dravidar / Tribal / Adi Dravidar converted to Christianity are selected in each District, who secure highest marks in Xth Standard examination and awarded a sum of Rs.800/- each for the first year and Rs.960/- per annum for the subsequent five years for a total period of six years provided they continue their higher studies. A sum of Rs.8.16 lakhs was incurred in the year 2009-10 benefiting 448 students.

For the year 2010-11, this scheme will be continued at a cost of Rs.8.16 lakhs.

11. Top Class Education for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes

The Government of India have introduced a “Central Sector Scholarship Scheme of Top Class Education” for Scheduled Castes / Scheduled Tribes with effect from 2007-08. In Tamilnadu, 6 Excellent Educational Institutions in Engineering Technology, Management, Medicine and Aeronautical have been selected by Government of India under this scheme. The primary objective of the scheme is to promote merit amongst the top rank Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes students pursuing studies beyond +2 in the reputed institutions of excellence.

The Government of India are releasing funds to such Institutions concerned towards course fee, other non-refundable charges, lodging and boarding charges, books and computer etc., for selected students. The parents / guardian’s annual income limit for this scheme should not exceed Rs.2.00 lakhs.

Sl.	Institution	Courses	C students	G.T Students	Total
1.	Indian Institute of Technology, Chennai	Engineering	10	5	15
2.	Vellore Institute of Technology, Vellore	Engineering	10	5	15
3.	National Institute of Technology, Trichy	Engineering	10	5	15
4.	Govt. Medical College, Vellore	Medicine	10	5	15
5.	Indian Institute of Management, Chennai	Management	10	5	15
6.	Madras Flying Club, Chennai	Aeronautical	5	5	10
		Total	55	30	85

Thus 85 students avail scholarship directly from Government of India through these institutions.

12. Distribution of Free Slates

Every year, plastic slates are distributed to all students free of cost studying in 1st Standard in the schools run by this Department. A sum of Rs.2.66 lakhs spent for this scheme during the year 2009-10 benefiting 24320 students.

Achievement since 2006-07

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Achievement	
		Physical	Financial
1.	2006-07	22,864	2.68
2.	2007-08	22,903	2.70
3.	2008-09	23,092	2.64
4.	2009-10	24,320	2.66
	Total	93,179	10.68

This scheme will be continued during 2010-11.

13. Supply of Free Text Books and Note Books

Free Text Books and Note Books are supplied by the Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department to the students studying in Adi Dravidar Welfare Schools/Government Tribal Residential Schools/General Schools as detailed below.

Text Books All students studying from 1st to 12th Std. in Adi Dravidar Welfare Schools and Government Tribal Residential Schools.

Note Books (i) All students studying III to X std. in Adi Dravidar Welfare Schools and Government Tribal Residential Schools.

(ii) SC/ST students studying IV to X Std. in General Schools

During 2009-10, a sum of Rs.412.72 lakhs spent for 2,41,900 students studying in Adi Dravidar & Tribal Welfare schools. Further, a sum of Rs.947.64 lakhs also spent for the SC/ST students studying in General schools.

Achievement since 2006-07

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Achievement	
		Physical	Financial
1.	2006-07	2,34,900	321.50
2.	2007-08	2,36,845	480.71
3.	2008-09	2,39,457	346.06
4.	2009-10	2,41,900	412.72
Total		9,53,102	1560.99

For the year 2010 -11, a sum of Rs.500.00 lakhs has been allocated for the students studying in Adi Dravidar /Tribal schools and Rs.1050.00 lakhs for the Adi Dravidar / Tribal / Adi Dravidar converted to Christianity students studying in General schools.

14. Supply of Free Uniforms

Two sets of uniforms are given freely every year to all students studying from Standards I to XII in Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Schools including students residing in Adi Dravidar and Tribal Hostels.

A total of 2,97,357 students have been benefited in the year 2009-10 at a cost of Rs.1551.74 lakhs.

Achievement since 2006-07

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Achievement	
		Physical	Financial
1.	2006-07	2,85,103	970.00
2.	2007-08	2,86,346	1,500.95
3.	2008-09	2,88,901	1,546.75
4.	2009-10	2,97,357	1,551.74
Total		11,57,707	5,569.44

For the year 2010-11, a sum of Rs.1600.00 lakhs has been provided for the scheme.

15. Supply of Magazines to Schools and Hostels

To prepare the Adi Dravidar and Tribal candidates to pursue IAS / IPS Examinations and other Higher Level Government Recruitment Examinations, the Government have issued orders for supply of Books and Magazines on General Knowledge to all Adi Dravidar High / Higher Secondary Schools and Hostels from the year 2006-07 onwards. Under this scheme, a sum of Rs.10.97 lakhs was provided during 2009-10 and entire amount was spent for this scheme.

For the year 2010-11, a sum of Rs.11.20 lakhs has been provided for the scheme.

16. Supply of Free Bicycles Scheme

Students studying in +1 and +2 in Government / Government Aided Higher Secondary Schools, Partly Aided Schools (self financing) are provided with free bicycles to Adi Dravidar / Tribal / Adi Dravidar converted to Christianity students. The details of Physical and Financial achievement are as detailed below from 2006-07.

Achievement since 2006-07

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Physical Achievement			Financial Achievement
		Girls	Boys	Total	
1.	2006-07	65,609	58,815	1,24,424	2,615.69
2.	2007-08	71,042	63,132	1,34,174	2,900.14
3.	2008-09	78,399	68,162	1,46,561	3,570.43
4.	2009-10	82,903	70,830	1,53,733	3,745.46
Total		2,97,953	2,60,939	5,58,892	12,831.72

During the year 2009-10, 1,53,733 students got benefited at the cost of Rs.37.45 crores.

For the year 2010-11, a sum of Rs.2077.87 lakhs for girls and Rs.1854.92 lakhs for boys have been provided for this scheme.

17. Supply of water purifiers to Adi Dravidar Welfare schools and hostels

With the aim of providing protected drinking water to the students studying in 130 Adi Dravidar Welfare Schools and 141 Adi Dravidar Welfare hostels, Government sanctioned Rs.36.36 lakhs during 2009-10. The entire amount spent during the year 2009-10. This scheme will be continued.

18. Admission of Boys / Girls in Reputed Schools who scored highest marks in X std.

With the view to help Adi Dravidar and Tribal students to appear for the All India Level Examinations and to improve their educational standard, 10 outstanding students from each district, totally 320 students who have secured highest marks in X standard in Government / Corporation / Municipal / Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare schools are selected and admitted in the reputed private schools. For this scheme, the parent's / guardian's income should not exceed Rs.1.00 lakh per annum. In the year 2009-10, 320 students were admitted in the reputed schools in +1 Std and 310 students have been admitted in +2. A sum of Rs.138.47 lakhs has been spent during 2009-10.

The scheme will be continued in 2010-11. A sum of Rs.180.00 lakhs has been provided for this scheme.

19. Admission of Adi Dravidar / Tribal / Adi Dravidar Converted to Christianity students in VI Std in reputed schools.

Government have formulated a unique scheme of admitting the bright students from Adi Dravidar / Tribal / Adi Dravidar Converted to Christianity communities studying in 5th Std in Government / Government Aided / Adi Dravidar Welfare Schools in the reputed residential schools in 6th Std to allow them to continue their studies till 12th Std. The entire expenses of these students are borne by the Government. Under this scheme, student who secure highest marks in the special examination conducted in each block are admitted in the reputed schools.

A sum of Rs.214.25 lakhs has been spent for this scheme for the year 2009-10. The above amount was sanctioned under the Special State Assistance Scheme.

The Scheme will be continued during the year 2010–11.

20. Hostels

Hostel facilities are provided for rural Adi Dravidar and Tribal students to enable them to continue their education. There are 1229 Adi Dravidar Welfare Hostels, 40 Tribal Welfare Hostels and 296 Government Tribal Residential(GTR) Schools benefiting 1,27,534 students. The number of the Hostels functioning under Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department and the strength of students admitted are as follows.

Sl. No.	Classification of Hostels	No. of Hostels	No. of Students
1.	Adi Dravidar Welfare Hostels	1229	84,886
2.	Tribal Hostels	40	2040
3.	GTR	296	40,608
TOTAL		1565	127534

- (i) An amount of Rs.550 per month is being provided to each inmate of the Adi Dravidar College & ITI Hostels as food charges.
- (ii) An amount of Rs.450 per month is being provided to each inmate of the Adi Dravidar Welfare Hostels & Government Tribal Residential Schools as food charges.
- (iii) Wet grinders, Colour Television and Water purifier are provided in all Hostels.
- (iv) Library facilities are provided in all Hostels.
- (v) Bed Sheets are supplied to the boarders of hostels once in two years.

- (vi) An amount of Rs.25/- per student per month for School Hostels and Rs.35/- per students per month for College Hostels and ITI Hostels is given for Soap and Oil.
- (vii) The Government is extending financial assistance to the Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) to run Hostels meant for Adi Dravidars and Tribal students. Presently, there are 36 NGOs in Tamil Nadu running hostels for about 5204 Adi Dravidar / Tribal students. Besides these hostels, one school is running by the SFRD at Thiruvannamalai district for Tribals and another school by the Muthukaruppan Memorial Trust at Thoothukudi District for Adi Dravidar students.

21. (a) Hill Area Development Programme (HADP)

HADP programme is being implemented in the Nilgiris District through Planning, Development and Special Initiatives Department. Under this scheme, an amount of Rs.410.25 lakhs has been sanctioned to implement various welfare schemes for Scheduled Castes during the year 2009-10.

Under this programme, Construction of community hall, public toilet, providing water supply pipeline and cement concrete foot path with sidewall, link roads and Bituman Tar Road and digging of bore well with provision of hand pump in Hill areas etc., are undertaken. An amount of Rs.225.00 lakhs has been incurred for the above works.

This programme will be continued during 2010–11.

(b) Western Ghat Development Programme

Western Ghat Development Programme is being implemented in Western Ghat areas viz., Coimbatore, Tiruppur, Erode, Dindigul, Theni, Madurai, Virudhunagar, Tirunelveli and Kanniyakumari districts for Adi Dravidar through Planning, Development and Special Initiatives Department. Under this scheme, a sum of Rs.60.30 lakhs has been allocated during 2009-10.

This scheme is implemented for the welfare of Scheduled Castes in by undertaking following works viz., Construction of cement concrete roads in Adi Dravidar Habitations, provision of Borewells & compressor motors, water supply, laying of tiles in Kitchen and dining halls in Adi Dravidar Boys and Girls hostels. The entire amount has been spent for the above works.

During the year 2010-11 this programme will be continued.

22. Free House site pattas to Adi Dravidar/Tribes and provision of basic amenities to their habitations

Under this scheme, free house site pattas are issued to the homeless Adi Dravidar / Tribal beneficiaries. The land for this purpose is acquired through private negotiation and also under the Tamilnadu Acquisition of Land for Harijan Welfare Schemes Act, 1978 (Tamilnadu Act 31 of 1978) to distribute free house site pattas to eligible persons. The annual income limit for beneficiary under this scheme is fixed at Rs.16,000/- in rural areas and Rs.24,000/- in urban areas. During the year of 2009-10, Housesite Pattas are distributed to 6871 beneficiaries. More number of cases will be covered as negotiations are under progress to acquire lands from the private owners.

During the year 2010-11, a sum of Rs.1214.52 lakhs has been provided for this scheme.

23. Burial Grounds and Pathways

The Government are providing burial grounds and pathways to burial grounds to Adi Dravidar habitations. Funds are provided for acquiring and purchasing of land for this purpose. Panchayat Unions are also providing basic amenities to Adi Dravidar habitations from their own funds. For this purpose, 15% of the cost for drinking water facility and 10% cost of the link roads is shared by Adi Dravidar Welfare Department with Panchayat Unions.

During the year 2009-10, a sum of Rs.72.94 lakhs was provided for the scheme. Out of this, Rs.40.88 lakhs spent.

Land acquisition for balance cases is under progress.

For the year 2010-11, a sum of Rs.75.84 lakhs has been provided for the scheme.

24. Financial Assistance for Funeral Rites

Financial assistance to the tune of Rs.500/- is given to Adi Dravidar, Adi Dravidar Converted to Christianity and Tribal families to meet the expenditure connected with funeral rites for the death of a member of their family. The income limit under this scheme is Rs.24,000/- per annum. For the year 2009-10, a sum of

Rs.283.26 lakhs provided and the entire amount spent against 56,652 cases registered.

During the year 2010–11, a sum of Rs.300.00 lakhs has been provided for the scheme.

25. Community Certificates

- (a) Instructions have been given to all District Collectors / Revenue Divisional Officers (RDOs) / Tahsildars in the State to look into the representations of SC/ST people who are seeking community certificates by conducting due enquiries speedily.

Presently, the power of issuance of community certificate for SC is vesting with the Tahsildars only. As far as ST community certificate is concerned, the power of issuance of the certificates is with RDOs. All District Collectors are being reminded time and again to watch the progress of disposal of pending cases. Chief Secretary of the State has written a letter to all District Collectors in this regard on 6.3.2010.

- (b) Further, in order to verify the genuineness of community certificates already issued to the SC / ST people, the State Government have constituted a District Level Vigilance Committee for Scheduled Castes under the chairmanship of the concerned District Collector and a State Level Scrutiny Committee (SLSC) for Scheduled Tribes under the chairmanship of the Principal Secretary to Government, Adi Dravidar & Tribal Welfare Department vide G.O (2D) No.108, Adi Dravidar & Tribal Welfare Department, dated: 12.09.2007. An Anthropologist has also been included as one of the members on the two committees.

District Level Vigilance Committee (DLVC)

1.	District Collector	Chairman	To scrutinize the genuineness of the community certificates issued as Scheduled Caste by the Tahsildars and to pass final orders. If aggrieved by the orders, appeal will lie only with the High Court, Madras under Article 226 of the Constitution of India and then with Supreme Court under Article 136 of the Constitution of India
2.	District Adi Dravidar & Tribal Welfare	Member – Secretary	
3.	An Anthropologist	Member	

State Level Scrutiny Committee (SLSC)

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| 1. | Secretary to Government, Adi Dravidar & Tribal Welfare Department | Chairman | To | scrutinize the genuineness of the community certificates issued as Scheduled Tribes issued by the RDOs and to pass final orders. If aggrieved by the orders, appeal will lie only with the High Court, Madras under Article 226 of the Constitution of India and then with Supreme Court under Article 136 of the Constitution of India |
| 2. | Commissioner/ Director, Tribal Welfare | Member | - | Secretary |
| 3. | Anthropologist | Member | | |

During the year 2009-10, the State Level Scrutiny Committee has enquired genuineness of S.T. certificates already issued by Revenue Authorities and orders passed in 125 cases as referred by various employers of the State & the Central Government.

26. Implementation of Protection of Civil Rights (PCR) Act, 1955 and Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989.

(a) Removal of Untouchability

The Government are taking all steps to abolish untouchability and to prevent atrocities against Adi Dravidars and Tribes. For this purpose, The Protection of Civil Rights (PCR) Act, 1955 and The Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes

(Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 have been enacted by the Government of India and are being implemented effectively in the State. The Social Justice and Human Rights Wing is functioning for this purpose, under the control of the Inspector General of Police. The functions of Social Justice & Human Rights units are (i) to supervise investigation of cases registered under these two acts and (ii) to act as a protection cell for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.

Sl. No.	Name of the Headquarter	Jurisdiction over the Districts
1.	Tiruchirapalli	Tiruchirapalli Commissionerate, Tiruchirapalli and Pudukkottai.
2.	Thanjavur	Thanjavur, Nagapattinam and Thiruvarur.
3.	Madurai	Madurai Commissionerate, Madurai, Dindigul, Ramanthapuram, Sivagangai and Virudhunagar.
4.	Tirunelveli	Tirunelveli Commissionerate, Tirunelveli, Thoothukkudi and Kanyakumari.

The Government have set up 4 Special Courts which are functioning at Thanjavur, Tiruchirappalli, Madurai and Tirunelveli districts covering 13 districts and 3 Police Commissionrates to try cases registered under these Acts. In all other districts, the existing Sessions Courts have been empowered to try these cases. Besides this, 34 mobile police squads each headed by an Inspector of Police and 7 Supervisory squads each headed by a Deputy Superintendent of Police with Head Quarters at Chennai, Tiruchirapalli, Thanjavur, Villupuram, Ramanathapuram, Tirunelveli and Madurai are functioning under the Inspector General of Police, Social Justice & Human Rights, Chennai.

To expedite disposal of pending cases and to improve the conviction rate it is proposed to create additional special courts in the State. The Inspector General of Police, Social Justice and Human Rights have been asked to examine this matter and send proposal to the Government to set up additional special courts and to

appoint additional Special Prosecutors in the State. Presently, there are 23 Special Prosecutors appointed by the Government for this purpose.

Under Rule 17(1), SC/ST Prevention of Atrocities Rules 1995, the State Government have constituted District Level Vigilance and Monitoring Committee in each district headed by the concerned District Collector with five members comprising officials and non-officials wherever necessary. The District Collectors are empowered to nominate a person who has the right aptitude and understanding of the problems of S.C/S.T member. The District Level Committee shall meet atleast once in three months to review the implementation of the provisions of these Acts and also to monitor the relief and rehabilitation facilities to be provided to the victims and other matter related to prosecution of cases under these Acts at the district level. Further, a State Level Vigilance and Monitoring Committee under the Chairmanship of the Hon'ble Chief Minister to review and monitor the implementation of the S.C/S.T Act has also been constituted. During the year of 2009, 1268 persons affected due to communal riots have been given financial assistance of Rs.175.87 lakhs.

For the year 2010-11, a sum of Rs.225.00 lakhs has been provided in the budget.

(b) Campaign for the Removal of Untouchability

The public are made aware of the evils of untouchability. To create awareness among the public, feature films are screened in the villages.

"Manitha Neyra Vara Vizha"(Humanitarian Week) is celebrated in all the districts from 24th to 30th January every year. The public are made to realize their responsibility to maintain peace and harmony. Villuppattu Kuzhu (A folk art) artists are engaged for performing this kind of programmes.

Besides this, Community feasts are arranged every year on 26th January, 15th August, 2nd October or on any other local important day in the district. Further, two publicity wings, one at Tiruchirappalli and another one at Chennai are functioning to campaign on the removal of untouchability.

During the year 2009-10, a sum of Rs.49.80 lakhs was provided for this scheme. Out of this amount a sum of Rs.37.69 lakhs incurred.

For the year 2010-11, a sum of Rs.54.80 lakhs has been provided for this scheme.

(c) Select Village Scheme

Under the Select Village Scheme, one village in each district is selected for assistance where untouchability is not practiced and people live in harmony. A sum of Rs.1.00 lakh is given to the selected village. To improve their basic infrastructure, during the year 2009, 31 Villages have been selected and are given assistance of Rs.31.00 lakhs.

For the year 2010-11, a sum of Rs.31.00 lakhs has been provided for the scheme.

(d) Implementation of Mass Awareness Campaign

Mass Awareness Campaign is being organised to create awareness among various sections of the society to eradicate prevalence of untouchability in the villages of Tamilnadu. The following are the objectives of Mass Awareness Campaign:

1. To highlight on how the Acts and Rules (Prevention of Atrocities) are effectively enforced by the police.
2. To promote confidence among the members of Adi Dravidar / Tribes.
3. To sensitize the society on eradication of untouchability and atrocities against the members of Adi Dravidar and Tribes.
4. To promote harmony among the non-Adi Dravidars and Adi Dravidars / Tribes.
5. To create awareness on the nature of offences and its gravity.

The Mass Awareness Campaign is organised in all Village Panchayats of the districts at an expenditure of Rs.70.00 lakhs. The expenditure is shared by the Central and State Government on 50:50 basis. Mass Awareness Campaign like Social Justice Tea Parties are being conducted in villages across the State.

So far, Mass Awareness Campaign – Social Justice Tea Parties have been conducted in 21333 villages across the State.

This scheme will also be continued during the year 2010-11.

27. Adi Dravidar and Tribal Activities Foundation

To encourage the creative expression of art, culture, literature and also to support research studies on Adi Dravidars and Tribes, "Adi Dravidar and Tribal Activities Foundation" was formed. A Corpus Fund of Rs.50.00 lakhs was sanctioned and kept in fixed deposits by utilizing interest accrued upon from this deposit. 10 Adi Dravidar / Tribal / Adi Dravidar Converted to Christianity writers and one non-Adi Dravidar writer are selected every year for their literary works and an award of Rs.20,000 is given by the Government for publishing their works every year. For the year 2009-10, 11 best writers have been selected and awarded.

This scheme will be also continued during the year 2010–11.

28. Abolition of Bonded Labour

The practice of bonded labour is banned under of Articles 21 & 23 of the Constitution of India and therefore the Government of India has enacted the Bonded Labour System (Abolition) Act of 1976.

Bonded Labour System means the system of forced or partly forced labour either without wages or for nominal wages. Under this system, the labour forfeit the freedom of movement from one employer to another or other means of livelihood and thus the person forfeit the right to move freely throughout the territory of India.

The Bonded Labour System (Abolition) Act of 1976 has been implemented in Tamilnadu since its inception and as per the directions of the Supreme Court of India, a survey was conducted by all the State Governments including of Tamilnadu in 1996-97 to identify the bonded labour and to take steps to rehabilitate them.

In order to stop the practice of the bonded labour, the Government constituted District Level Committees headed by the District Collectors to identify and to rehabilitate the freed bonded persons. Till date, 14042 bonded labourers have been released and rehabilitated at the cost of Rs.17.55 crore.

Under this Act, the Revenue Divisional Officers / Sub Collectors are designated as the Bonded Labour Releasing and Rehabilitation Officers. To ensure effective implementation of this Act, the District Collectors are also made responsible for release and rehabilitation programme. As per Section 21 of the Bonded Labour System (Abolition) Act, 1976, judicial powers have been vested with the Executive Magistrates (RDOs) to conduct trial and punish the offender for perpetuating the system. Till date, 884 prosecutions have been registered and 803 convictions have been reported from 14 districts. A fine of Rs.6.61 lakh has been collected.

A State Level Monitoring Committee has also been constituted to be headed by the Chief Secretary to monitor the progress made by the District Level Committees to identify, release and to rehabilitate the freed bonded labourers. (Vide G.O.Ms. No. 79, Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department, Dated 17.09.2002).

During the year 2009-10, 249 bonded labourers have been freed and financial assistance of Rs.35.17 lakhs provided. Government have sanctioned Rs.110.00 lakh for this purpose. All District Collectors have been advised to take stern action against the offenders to abolish the practice of the bonded labour in their respective jurisdiction. Further, the Government have sanctioned funds for awareness generation activities and evaluation studies in 5 districts – Kanchipuram, Thiruvallur, Vellore, Salem and Coimbatore during 2009-10.

For the year 2010-11, a sum of Rs.125.00 lakhs has been provided for rehabilitation.

29. Puthirai Vannar Welfare Board

On the line of the Scavengers' Welfare Board, to achieve the socio-economic and educational development of this minuscule "Pudirai Vannar" sub group of the S.C community, the State Government have recently constituted a separate "Pudhirai Vannar Welfare Board" vide G.O. (Ms.) No.114, AD&TW Department dated 15.10.2009 to be headed by the Minister, Adi Dravidar Welfare with 12 Official members and 13 Non official members. A sum of Rs.50.00 lakhs has been provided by the Government for the year 2009–2010 to extend relief to the needy registered members of this Board.

Schemes and Quantum of Assistance

	Rs.
1. Financial Assistance under Accident Relief Scheme	
(i) Death occurred by Accident	1,00,000/-
(ii) Disability occurred by Accident (according to % of disability)	10,000/- to 1,00,000/-
(iii) Natural Death	15000/-
(iv) Funeral Rites assistance	2000/-
2. Old Age Pension	400/- p.m.
3. Educational Assistance to the children of the members	
(i) Female child studying 10 th Std.	1,000/-
(ii) Child passed 10 th Std.	1,000/-
(iii) Female child studying 11 th Std.	1,000/-
(iv) Female child studying 12 th Std.	1,500/-
(v) Child passed 12 th Std.	1,500/-
(vi) Regular Degree Course	1,500/-

(vii) Regular Degree Course (Hosteller)	1,750/-
(viii) Regular PG Degree Course	2,000/-
(ix) Regular PG Degree (Hosteller)	3,000/-
(x) Professional Course (Degree)	2,000/-
(xi) Professional Course (Degree -Hosteller)	4,000/-
(xii) Professional Course – PG Degree	4,000/-
(xiii) Professional Course – PG Degree(Hosteller)	6,000/-
(xiv) ITI / Polytechnic	1,000/-
(xv) ITI / Polytechnic (Hostellers)	1,200/-
4. Marriage Assistance	2,000/-
5. Assistance for Maternity/ Termination	
(i) Maternity (for 6 months)	6,000/-
(ii) Abortion/Termination	3,000/-
6. Assistance for Opticals	upto 500/-

30. PART-II SCHEME, 2009-2010

Sl.	Name of the Scheme	Amount	Action Taken Report
1.	Purchase of 21 Computers with Accessories in Secretariat Department	8.40	Completed
2.	Provision of 15 Number of Computer with Printer for the use of Office of the Commissionerate of Adi Dravidar Welfare, Chennai-5.	6.00	Completed
3.	Replacement of Jeeps to Commissionerate and District Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Officers	35.00	Completed
4.	Gas connection to 152 Adi Dravidar Hostels	45.60	Completed
5.	Supply of Water Purifier to 130 schools and 141 Hostels	36.36	Completed
6.	Repairing of class room in Kalangani Higher Secondary School, Namakkal District.	12.09	Completed
7.	Repair and maintenance work to 25 Hostels in Tiruvallur District.	30.00	Completed
8.	Supply of dual desk at Rs.6920/- for the 50 schools at 30 Nos. each	104.40	Completed
9.	Provision of 50 Plastics Chairs to 130 High / Higher Secondary School at the rate of Rs.300 each	19.50	Completed
	Total	297.35	

II. TRIBAL WELFARE

Tribal Development is necessary to seek social justice and thus to improve their socio-economic and educational standard to a level of other forward sections of

the society. Hence, a separate Directorate has been set up exclusively for the welfare of Scheduled Tribes from April 2000. This Directorate pays special attention to the Districts where Scheduled Tribes concentration is high. Out of the 36 Tribal communities in the State, 6 Tribal Communities (i.e.) Toda, Kota, Kurumbas, Irular, Paniyan and Kattunayakan have been identified as Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PTGs). The other Tribals are scattered over all areas of the State and therefore are classified as Dispersed Tribes. The areas where the population of Scheduled Tribes exceeds 50% of the total population are designated as “Integrated Tribal Development Programme” areas, which exist in 7 districts viz., Salem, Namakkal, Villupuram, Thiruvannamalai, Tiruchirapalli, Dharmapuri and Vellore. Low Literacy rate, high drop-out rate, nutritional deficiencies, poor living conditions, migration & degradation of forest resources are the areas of concern which are being addressed by the Government with the active support of non-governmental organizations.

1. Tribal Sub Plan (TSP)

The Constitution of India has incorporated several special provisions for the promotion of education and economic interests of Scheduled Tribes and their protection from social injustice and all forms of exploitation. These objectives are sought to be achieved through a strategy known as the Tribal Sub-Plan strategy, which was adopted at the beginning of the Fifth Five Year Plan. The strategy seeks to ensure adequate flow of funds for tribal development from the State Plan allocations to implement various schemes/programmes by the sectoral departments of the Government.

The Government of Tamilnadu have adopted the Tribal Sub Plan (TSP) concept to improve the socio-economic conditions of the Tribes since 1976-77. The basic objective of this plan is to ensure the flow of fund to be allotted for TSP from the State Annual Plan outlay atleast in proportion to the tribal population for their development. As per 2001 census, the tribal population in Tamilnadu is 6.51 lakh. (1.04% of the State’s total population).This Sub Plan is implemented through 21 Sectoral Departments. Nodal Officers are appointed in all Sectoral Departments to monitor the schemes being implemented under the Tribal Sub Plan.

The Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department has been designated as the Nodal Department and its Secretary is the Nodal Officer for formulation and implementation of TSP. The Director of Tribal Welfare Department has been

designated as Monitoring Officer to monitor and review the schemes under this sub-plan.

The amount allocated and the expenditure incurred under the TSP since 2005-06 is furnished below.

(Rs. in crore)

Year	Annual Plan Outlay (APO)	Target to TSP	Expenditure			% of Expr. over APO
			Divisible	Indivisible	Total	
2005-06	9100	167.29	24.53	77.30	101.83	1.12%
2006-07	12500	225.67	24.58	107.13	131.71	1.05%
2007-08	14000	263.86	33.68	207.21	240.89	1.72%
2008-09	16000	342.17	33.45	173.55	207.00	1.29%
2009-10*	17500	360.09	24.54	49.64	74.18	0.42%
Total	69100	1,359.08	140.78	614.83	755.61	

(upto Feb'2010)*

During the year 2010-11, an amount of Rs.400.00 crores will be fixed as flow to TSP. Out of which, a sum of Rs.38.51 crores has been allocated under the minor head-796.

2. Basic Infrastructure for Tribal Areas

(a) Housing Scheme

Housing Scheme is implemented by the Government in order to improve the standard of living of the tribal people who are living in hill areas as well as in plains. Every year houses are constructed at the rate of Rs.55,000/- per house in the plain area and at Rs.58,500/- per house in the hills and hard surfaced area. The entire cost of this scheme is borne by the Government. During the year 2009-10, a sum of Rs.16.80 lakh was allotted for construction of 28 houses in Thiurvannamalai and Namakkal Districts. These works are under progress.

For the year 2010-11, a sum of Rs.16.80 lakhs has been provided for the scheme.

(b) Provision of drinking water supply

In tribal areas, wherever there is no drinking water facility available, steps are taken to provide drinking water facilities in tribal habitations. Every year, funds are allocated for this purpose. The scheme was implemented during 2009-10 with allocation of Rs.32.00 lakhs for provision of drinking water facilities in 4 tribal habitations in the Integrated Tribal Development Programme areas comprising 3 Districts viz., Tiruchirappalli, Villupuram and Namakkal Districts.

For the year 2010-11, a sum of Rs.32.00 lakhs has been provided for the scheme.

(c) Economic Development

1. Large-sized Multi Purpose (LAMP) Co-operative Societies have been formed to enable the Tribal people to market their products and also to provide short and medium term credits and to supply essential consumer articles to them at fair prices. There are 19 such societies functioning in Tamilnadu.

2. A Special Vocational Guidance Centre is functioning at Uthagamandalam, in the Nilgiris District to guide the tribal youth to seek employment opportunities.

3. Programmes for the economic development of Particularly Vulnerable Tribes (PTGs) and Dispersed Tribes have been work out by the Directorate. Sheep units and milch animals are being distributed to the tribes. A sum of Rs.10.12 lakhs was provided in the Budget Estimate for the year 2009-10 and the entire amount was spent for the distribution of 34 sheep units in Salem and Thiruvannamalai Districts and 20 milch animals in Dharmapuri District for the benefit of the Dispersed Tribes.

For the year 2010-11, a sum of Rs.10.12 lakhs has been provided for this scheme.

(d) Centrally Sponsored Schemes

The following Centrally Sponsored Schemes are being implemented in Tribal Areas:

(i) The Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub Plan

The Government of India sanctions Special Central Assistance to the Tribal Sub-Plan every year. Under this scheme, funds are being provided primarily for income generation projects and a part of it (not more than 30%) for provision of infrastructure facilities. During the year 2009-10, a sum of Rs.433.34 lakhs was earmarked for implementation of schemes like distribution of (i) bee keeping boxes, (ii) fishing nets, (iii) milch animals, (iv) sheep units and financial assistance is also given for setting up of brick units and for embroidery and chumkey works etc.

Improvement to Tribal School Buildings is also undertaken under the Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub-plan.

(ii) Grants under Article 275 (1) of Constitution of India

1. Under Article 275 (1) of the Constitution of India, provision of infrastructure facilities in Tribal areas are taken up from out of the funds as released by Government of India.
2. These funds are being utilised towards the recurring expenses of Eklavya Model Residential Schools at Abinavam in Salem District and Vellimalai in Villupuram District and also for implementation of the Forest Rights Act, 2006 and for provision of basic amenities.
3. The Eklavya Model Residential School Building at Abhinavam in Salem District has been constructed at the cost of Rs.2.50 crore which was recently inaugurated.
4. The Government of India have sanctioned a sum of Rs.684.00 lakh during 2009-10 for implementation of schemes under the Grants of 275(1) of the Constitution of India.
5. Proposals have been sent to Government of India to start two more Eklavya Model Residential Schools, one each in Thiruvannamalai and Namakkal Districts. Government of India's approval is awaited.

(iii) Central Sector Scheme for Development of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PTGs)

For the development of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PTGs), the Government of India are sanctioning grant-in-aid every year under the Central Sector Scheme.

For the year 2009-10, proposals for a sum of Rs.740.30 lakhs have been forwarded to Government of India covering construction of houses, supply of sheep units, milch animals, provision of drinking water facilities and street lights etc. to Tribal habitations.

(iv) Tribal Research Centre and Tribal Museum

In Tamilnadu, there are 36 sub-groups of Tribals living almost all over the State. The tribal communities -Toda, Kota, Kurumbas, Irular, Paniyan and Kattunayakan who are living in Nilgiris areas are called as "Particularly Tribal Vulnerable Groups" (PTGs). In order to conduct several studies and research

activities on the culture, languages and socio-economic and educational conditions of the tribal communities, the State Government have established a 'Tribal Research Centre' (TRC) at Uthagamandalam in 1983 with the help Government of India.

With the assistance of Non-Governmental Organisations (NGO), this centre has been conducting seminars, workshops and training programmes for the Government and Non-Government officials working in tribal areas to sensitize them about the tribal culture, languages and life style etc. to help them to implement welfare programmes to achieve their socio, economic and educational development.

This centre is also maintaining a "Tribal Museum" displaying artifacts and photos on the culture of tribal communities in a systematic manner. Besides, this centre is running a library to upgrade the knowledge of tribal people and the researchers.

(v) Janashree Bima Yojana

Considering the high death rate among the Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PTGs), an insurance scheme has been specially designed and is being implemented for those who are below the poverty line in the age group of 18 to 58 years in order to provide social security to such people. The children of the policy holders studying in 9th to 12th standard are awarded scholarship of Rs.1,200/- annually to each students. So far, 32,424 policies have been issued and a sum of Rs.164.39 lakhs has been remitted to LIC as premium to the above policy holders. Till 2008-09, 11 death claims for a sum of Rs.2.90 lakhs has been settled. Under scholarship component, Rs.1.79 lakhs has been disbursed to 229 students belonging to the Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups.

3. Other Schemes for Scheduled Tribes

(a) Tamilnadu Tribal Welfare Board

The Tamilnadu Tribal Welfare Board has been constituted under the chairmanship of the Minister for Adi Dravidar Welfare from 20.4.2007 for the overall development of the Scheduled Tribes in the fields of Socio economic and educational development. 8 Officials and 13 Non-Officials have been nominated as members. Till 31.03.2010, 21,389 Tribal families have been enrolled as members of

this Board. During the year 2009-10, a sum of Rs.1.00 crore was allotted for disbursing financial assistance to the members under various schemes. So far 503 families were benefited at the cost of Rs.12.27 lakhs under various schemes launched by this Welfare Board.

Financial Assistance rendered by other welfare boards is provided by this welfare board too.

(b) Tamilnadu Tribal Advisory Council

The Tamilnadu Tribal Advisory Council has been reconstituted with effect from 25.10.2007 headed by the Minister for Adi-Dravidar Welfare consisting of 2 Officials and 15 Non-official members including 3 MLAs belonging to the Tribal communities and 2 non-Tribes as Non-official members. Three officials are made Special Invitees. Lastly, Tamilnadu Tribal Advisory Council Meeting was held at Ooty on 10.02.2010.

(c) Hill Area Development Programme (HADP) Scheme

HADP is being implemented in the Nilgiris District through Planning, Development and Special Initiative Department. A sum of Rs.267.00 lakhs has been allocated for the year 2009-10 for the welfare of Scheduled Tribes.

Under this programme, works like provision of cement concrete road to the tribal habitations, water supply to tribal areas, link roads between the ST colonies and main Village/ Town Panchayats, Extension of water pipe line to ST colonies and provision of solar lights etc. are undertaken for tribal welfare. An amount of Rs.90.98 lakhs has been utilised for the above programmes.

During the year 2010-11, this programme will be continued.

(d) Western Ghats Development Programme (WGDP)

Western Ghats Development Programme (WGDP) is being implemented in Western Ghats areas through Planning, Development and Special Initiative Department in the districts viz., Coimbatore, Virudhunagar, Tirunelveli and Dindigul. During the year 2009-10, a sum of Rs.58.85 lakhs has been allocated for the implementation of Tribal welfare schemes like construction of kitchen-cum-store rooms at GTR Schools, provision of water supply to the GTR Schools, cement concrete roads in tribal habitations, extension of water pipe lines at ST colonies,

formation of link roads, construction of causeway at tribal habitations and provision of Solar Lights. The entire amount has been spent for the above works.

For the year 2010-11 this programme will be continued.

(e) Implementation of Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest) Act, 2006

(1) The Government of India have enacted “The Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 which came into existence on 29.12.2006. Under this Act, the State Government have to recognize the forest rights of the Scheduled Tribes and the traditional forest dwellers, who have been residing in forests for 3 generations i.e. for 75 years as on 13.12.2005.

(2) In order to implement this Act, the State Government have already constituted the following Committees:

- (i) State Level Monitoring Committee headed by the Chief Secretary.
- (ii) District Level Committee headed by the District Collector.
- (iii) Sub-Divisional Level Committee – headed by the Revenue Divisional Officer.

(3) Till date, the District Collectors have received 16314 claims. Of them, 2312 claims have been processed and recommended for distribution of title deeds to the claimants after the vacation of stay as ordered by the Madras High Court. Other claims are being processed in the Districts. The State Government have moved the Court to get the stay vacated so as to enable it to issue title deeds to the users.

4. PART-II SCHEMES 2009-2010

Sl.	Name of the Schemes	Amount (Rs. in L a k h s)	Action T a k e n R e p o r t
1.	To carry out the repairs and construction of new buildings to the existing tribal hostels/GTR schools	78.00	Completed
2.	Supply of Furniture to the 14 GTR High/Higher Secondary	20.00	Completed

Schools

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| 3. Provision of 4 Numbers of Computers with Printers for the use of the Office of the Commissionerate of Tribal Welfare, Chennai-5. | 1.60 | Completed |
| 4. Provision of a Fax and a Xerox Machine with direct Telephone lines (STD) facilities to the Office of the Commissionerate of Tribal Welfare. | 0.60 | Completed |

5. Improvement and maintenance of GTR Schools, Namakkal, Salem, Tiruvannamalai, Dindigul & Villupuram.	71.85	Completed
6. Provision of 10 Sitting Planks to 100 GTR Primary Schools @ Rs.3000/- per sitting plank.	30.00	Completed
Total	202.05	

III. TAMILNADU ADI DRAVIDAR HOUSING AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LIMITED (TAHDCO)

Tamilnadu Adi Dravidar Housing and Development Corporation Limited (TAHDCO) was incorporated in 1974 under the Companies Act, 1956. The Government of Tamilnadu and the Government of India contribute to the Share Capital of the Corporation. At present the Authorized Share Capital of the Corporation is Rs.100.00 Crores.

Though the Corporation was initially started as a construction Company in 1974 the activities of the Corporation was extended to enable it to undertake a wide spectrum of economic development schemes for income generation, skill development training for Adi Dravidars and Scheduled Tribes in the State.

Main Activities of the Corporation

- To implement economic development schemes for the Welfare of Adi Dravidar /Tribals in the State.
- To provide skill development training to youth belonging to Adi Dravidar and Tribals for job / self employment.
- To undertake construction activities entrusted by the Government.

Social – economic development and empowerment has been high priority of the Government. The Corporation has been implementing economic empowerment programme in income and employment enhancing avenues. The Corporation has been financing employment oriented and income generating schemes that covers -

- Agriculture and Allied activities;
- Small scale industry;
- Transport;
- Trade and Service Sector;

The construction wing of the Corporation is executing the construction works such as hostel buildings for boys / girls, school buildings, science laboratories, teachers' quarters and various other works undertaken under NABARD – RIDF schemes.

1. Schemes Implemented Through Special Central Assistance

For the economic development of Adi Dravidars, the TAHDCO has been implementing the following schemes. Most of the schemes are implemented with financial assistance through banks/ National Corporations. TAHDCO provides subsidy for these schemes through Special Central Assistance.

- (i) Land Purchase Scheme
- (ii) Financial assistance to Individuals.
- (iii) Self Employment Programme for Youth (SEPY)
- (iv) Revolving Fund to Self Help Groups.
- (v) Economic assistance to Self Help Groups
- (vi) Skill development training to SHG members.
- (vii) Collectors' Discretionary Fund
- (viii) Fast Track Power Supply (Electricity Board Deposit)
- (ix) Financial assistance to Civil Services Preliminary Examination passed candidates.
- (x) Financial assistance to Law graduates to set up their profession.

(i) Land Purchase Scheme

The aim of the scheme is to improve the land holdings of Adi Dravidar and to enhance the socio economic status of Adi Dravidars in the State. The salient features of the Land purchase scheme are as follows:

- ❖ The lands are purchased in the name of Adi Dravidar women.
- ❖ The lands have to be purchased from land owners who do not belong to Adi Dravidar community.
- ❖ Under this scheme 2.5 acres of wet land or 5.00 acres of dry land can be purchased.
- ❖ After purchase of land , financial assistance is also granted for land development and other agriculture allied activities

- ❖ The Government have issued orders for the exemption of 75% stamp duty for the registration of the land. The balance 25% of the cost can be included in the unit cost.
- ❖ The beneficiaries are eligible for power supply on priority basis at the time of installing electric motor for agriculture purpose.
- ❖ Allied departments like Agriculture, Horticulture, Animal Husbandry provide necessary guidance to the beneficiaries.

Pattern of Finance

	Land Pur cha se	Land Deve lop ment
Unit cost	Rs. 1,0 0,0 00	Rs. 1,00,000
Subsidy – 50%	Rs. 50, 000	Rs. 50,000
Loan – 50%	Rs. 50,000	Rs. 50,000

During the year 2009-10, 1298 beneficiaries purchased 959.39 acres of land at a cost of Rs.837.61 lakhs.

This scheme will be continued for the year 2010-11.

(ii) Financial assistance to Individuals

Under this scheme financial assistance is provided to individuals in the age group of 18 – 55 years for starting any income generating activity like establishment of shops, purchase of Lorries, Tractors, Power Tillers, Tourist Cars, Mini-Lorries , Auto-Rickshaws, Mini-Dairy, Tailoring and Chappal making etc.,

Pattern of Finance

Maximum unit cost	Rs. 7.50 lakhs
Subsidy	30% of the unit cost subject to a ceiling of Rs. 25,000
Promoter's contribution	5% of the unit cost
Bank loan	Balance amount

During the year 2009-10, 6209 persons got benefited at a cost of Rs.2235.89 lakhs.

This scheme will be continued for the year 2010-11.

(iii) Self Employment Programme for Youth (SEPY)

Under this programme youth in the age group of 18 – 35, are trained and escorted in obtaining financial assistance to commence ventures sustainable over a period of time.

Pattern of Finance

Maximum unit cost	Rs. 7.50 lakhs
Subsidy	30 % of the unit cost subject to a ceiling of Rs.25,000
Promoter's contribution	5% of the unit cost
Bank loan	Balance amount

During the year 2009-10, 832 persons got benefited at a cost of Rs.1009.42 lakhs.

This scheme will be continued for the year 2010-11.

(iv) Revolving Fund Assistance to Self Help Groups (SHGs)

Revolving Fund assistance is given to Self Help Groups for internal lending among the group members.

Pattern of finance

Subsidy	Rs.10,000
Bank Loan	Rs.50,000

During the year 2009-10, 1020 Self Help Groups consisting of 13082 members got benefited at a cost of Rs.510.00 lakhs

This scheme will be continued for the year 2010-11.

(v) Economic Assistance to Self Help Groups

The Self Help Groups are provided with economic assistance for starting income generating activities.

Pattern of Finance

Maximum Unit cost	Rs. 7.50 lakhs
Subsidy	50% of unit cost or Rs. 2.50 lakhs whichever is less
Promoter's contribution (a) For unit cost upto Rs. 2.50 lakhs (b) For unit cost above Rs. 2.50 lakhs	(a) Nil (b) 5% of unit cost
Bank loan	Balance Amount

During the year 2009-10, 1567 Self Help Groups consisting of 23526 members got benefited at a cost of Rs.4762.19 lakhs.

This scheme will be continued for the year 2010-11.

(vi) Skill Development Training to SHG Members

The main objective of this scheme is to improve skills of the members of the Self Help Groups for taking up economic activities. The skill training is provided through NGOs. During the period of training, Group members are trained in the maintenance of books of accounts, identification of economic activity and marketing techniques. During the year 2009-10, 26687 SHG members got trained at a cost of Rs.125.60 lakhs.

This scheme will be continued for the year 2010-11.

(vii) Collector's Discretionary Fund (CDF)

The Adi Dravidar who requires immediate financial assistance is assisted under this scheme. A maximum of Rs.10,000/- per beneficiary is given as subsidy. Preference is given to physically handicapped persons, destitute widows and persons affected in atrocities, freed bonded labourers etc. During the year 2009-10, 2132 persons got benefited at a cost of Rs.168.59 lakhs.

This scheme will be continued for the year 2010-11.

(viii) Fast Track Power Supply Scheme:

Under this programme, the Corporation contributes Rs.10,000 on behalf of a Adi Dravidar farmer for getting free power supply on priority basis. This scheme was introduced during 2008 -09. TAHDCO remits the amount to Tamilnadu Electricity Board to enable them to effect service connections to Adi Dravidar farmers. During the year 2009-10, 2939 persons got free power supply at a cost of Rs.293.90 lakhs

This scheme will be continued for the year 2010-11.

(ix) Financial Assistance to Civil Services (Preliminary) Examination Passed Candidates

To encourage the Adi Dravidar Youth to join Civil Services, a financial assistance of Rs.25,000 was given per candidate, who has passed Civil Services (Preliminary) Examination to prepare for Civil Services (Main) Examination. Out of Rs.25,000 a sum of Rs.15,000 is provided for purchase of books and Rs.10,000 is for meeting incidental expenses. This scheme was introduced from the year 2007 – 2008. Since the last 3 years, 384 candidates have been assisted at the cost of Rs.96.00 lakhs. During the year 2009-10, 88 candidates have been assisted at Rs.22.00 lakhs.

This scheme will be continued during 2010-11.

(x) Financial Assistance to Law Graduates to set up their Profession

To encourage the young Law Graduates to set up their profession, a financial assistance of Rs.10,000 is given. The financial assistance was released through Commissioner, Adi Dravidar Welfare. During the year 2009-10, 321 persons got benefited at a cost of Rs.32.10 lakhs

This scheme will be continued during 2010-11.

2. Self Employment Scheme for Rehabilitation of Manual Scavengers (SRMS)

From the year 2008–09, **National Scheme for Liberation and Rehabilitation of Scavengers (NSLRS)** was modified as “Self Employment Scheme for Rehabilitation of Manual Scavengers” (SRMS). This scheme was introduced during 2008–09. The Corporation has identified 10,352 scavengers/dependents for rehabilitation. Under this programme, training is provided for taking up alternative economic activities. Till date, subsidy of Rs.13.14 crores and loan amount of

Rs.19.93 crores, totally Rs.33.07 crores has been released and assets have been created in 9906 cases leaving a balance of 446 cases.

Under this scheme, vocations like vehicle repair shops, Air Conditioner mechanism, beauty parlour, centering works, shoe making, computer centers, cut-piece centers, cycle shop, fancy stores, goat rearing, milch animal, mobile phone shop, provision stores, petty shop, sheep rearing, tailoring shop, vegetable shop, vessels shops etc. have been selected by the beneficiaries.

3. Special State Assistance

In order to generate employment and to improve skill of Adi Dravidar/Tribals youth, the State Government have introduced a Special State Assistance programme from 2006-07 to impart training under various activities / jobs to improve employability of selected Adi Dravidar / Tribal candidates with the cooperation of Government Organisations and the reputed private training centers at the cost of Rs.25.00 crores on an annual basis to cover about 20,000 persons along with the Special Central Assistance.

A few important training programmes are named as follows:

- (i) Plastic Products Manufacturing (CIPET)
- (ii) GRE / TOEFL / G-MAT / CAT
- (iii) Apparel Design
- (iv) Computer
- (v) Nursing
- (vi) Catering
- (vii) Cabin Crew
- (viii) Cinematography
- (ix) Electrician Course
- (x) Foot wear manufacturing
- (xi) Spoken English and Communication Skill
- (xii) Food Production & Processing
- (xiii) Maritime
- (xiv) JCB Pockline driving
- (xv) Heavy Vehicle driving
- (xvi) Air conditioning & Diesel mechanic etc.

During the year 2009-10, this scheme was implemented by covering 15091 Adi Dravidar/Tribal candidates. This scheme will be continued during 2010-11.

4. Construction Wing

The construction wing undertakes various civil works entrusted to the Corporation by the Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department. During year 2009-10 the following works have been undertaken.

(i) State Government works:

TAHDCO has undertaken 20 Adi Dravidar Welfare (ADW) Hostels, 2 Tribal Hostels, Additional two class rooms each in 12 Adi Dravidar Welfare(ADW) Schools, 6 Science laboratories, 1 Community hall, 2 kitchen sheds to community hall, 1 GTR School, 20 Special Central Assistance(SCA) works, 1 Tribal Girls Hostel repair and compound wall, additional two class rooms each in 4 Tribal welfare schools, 2 science laboratories 2 GTR schools. The total value of these works amounted to Rs.16.33 Crores.

(ii) Centrally Sponsored Works

Under Centrally Sponsored Scheme TAHDCO has undertaken 5 Girls hostel, 2 Tribal Girls and Boys hostels each. The total value of these works amounted to Rs.6.86 Crores.

(iii) NABARD Works-Rural Infrastructure Development Fund Schemes Works

Under NABARD-RIDF XII & XIV programmes, the TAHDCO has undertaken following works at a total value of Rs.161.01 Crores.

(a) Provision of Infrastructure facilities at Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Schools (RIDF – XII)

A sum of Rs.50.14 Crore has been sanctioned to provide infrastructure facilities at 121 High and Higher Secondary Schools and works are nearing completion.

(b) Provision of infrastructure facilities at 249 Adi Dravidar Tribal Habitations at the cost of Rs.110.87 crores (RIDF – XIV)

A sum of Rs.110.87 crores has been sanctioned by the Government to undertake infrastructure development works in 249 Adi Dravidar and Tribal habitations under the NABARD-RIDF-XIV Programmes. All works are under progress.

5. Scavengers' Welfare Board

To improve the socio economic and educational development of Scavengers, the Government of Tamilnadu established a Scavenger Welfare Board on 11.6.2007 under the Chairpersonship of Hon'ble Minister for Adi Dravidar Welfare with 13 Official and 12 Non Official members. The Government have also sanctioned Rs.1.00 crore during 2008-09 and Rs.1.00 crore during 2009-2010 for providing financial assistance for various welfare schemes to the members of the Welfare Board. Till 31.3.2010, 89603 members have been enrolled. *Financial Assistance rendered by other welfare boards is applicable to this welfare board too.*

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