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#### **INTRODUCTION**

The greatest asset of a State is its human resources. This Government is giving importance to formulate and implement various welfare programmes with an objective of creating a conducive atmosphere for the upliftment of Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes, Denotified Communities and Minorities in their socio, economic and educational status. The Government is implementing various schemes such as granting of scholarships, award of incentives, supply of Bi-cycles, providing hostel facilities for their educational advancement.

Kallar Reclamation Schools are functioning for educational advancement of Piramalai Kallar Community students. Schemes such as sanction of loans to start self employment through Tamil Nadu Backward Classes Economic Development Corporation and the Tamil Nadu Minorities Economic Development Corporation and schemes like supply of Iron Boxes, Sewing Machines, issue of house sites are implemented for their economic development. Denotified Communities Welfare Board, Tamil Nadu Narikoravar Welfare Board and Ulemas and other Employees Welfare Board are functioning under this department for providing welfare assistance to the registered members of these boards. Tamil Nadu Waqf Board is functioning for the better administration of the Waqf and to maintain and safeguard the Waqf properties. In order to provide for protection and maintenance of the public charitable trusts and endowments created and administered by the persons or

organizations of Vanniyakula Kshatriya Community in the State, this Government enacted the Tamil Nadu Vanniyakula Kshatriya Public Charitable Trusts and Endowments (Protection and Maintenance) Act, 2018 (Tamil Nadu Act No. 44 of 2018) and the Act came into force with effect from 04.02.2019. Tamilnadu Vanniyakula Kshatriya Public Charitable Trusts and Endowments Board has been established under the Act. The Government provides financial assistance for Jerusalem Pilgrimage. The Government facilitate Haj pilgrimage and provide financial assistance to haj pilgrims and sanctions pension to Ulemas. The activities of the department would be streamlined to achieve the Global Sustainable Development Goals as spelt out by United Nations General Assembly in 2015.

## 2. RESERVATION

The reservation policy of the State, which was introduced in the year 1921 with an object of developing the people who did not get their due share according to their population in educational and employment opportunities for a very long period, had undergone many changes and now it has reached the level of 69% as detailed below:-

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Category</b>	<b>Percentage of reservation</b>
1	Backward Classes	26.5
2	Backward Class Muslims	3.5
3	Most Backward Classes / Denotified Communities	20
4	Scheduled Castes	18
5	Scheduled Tribes	1
<b>Total</b>		<b>69</b>

When difficulty arose in the implementation of 69% reservation in admission to educational institutions and appointments to Public Services due to the judgement of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Indra Sawhney Versus Union of India, popularly known as Mandal Commission cases, restricting the total reservation to 50%, the Government of Tamil Nadu acted swiftly and passed the Tamil Nadu Backward Classes, Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Reservation of seats in Educational Institutions and of appointments of posts in the services under the State) Act, 1993 (Tamil Nadu Act 45 of 1994). The above Act was subsequently included in the 9<sup>th</sup> Schedule of the Constitution in order to get protection under Article 31-B of the Constitution of India.

Supreme Court of India, in its judgement dated 13.07.2010, on the petitions challenging the Tamil Nadu Act 45 of 1994 had directed that



the Tamil Nadu Backward Classes Commission to decide the quantum of reservation to be provided to various categories in the State, based on quantifiable data furnished by the State Government. The Tamil Nadu Backward Classes Commission, after analyzing the data furnished by the State Government, has given its report justifying 69% reservation without excluding creamy layer. The Government accepted the recommendations of the Commission and issued orders in G.O. (Ms) No. 50, Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Minorities Welfare Department, dated 11.07.2011, continuing the 69% reservation without exclusion of creamy layer in admission of students to educational institutions and appointments in the State services.

### **3. EDUCATION**

Education is one of the major devices for bringing about overall advancement of

downtrodden communities. Therefore, this Government has been paying special attention for the educational advancement of people belonging to Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes, Denotified Communities and Minorities. The major portion of the Budget allotment has been spent for their educational advancement. Hostel facilities for the welfare of these community students have been provided and Kallar Reclamation Schools are run in Madurai, Theni and Dindigul districts for the educational advancement of Pirmalai Kallar Community students. The Government is also implementing various schemes such as scholarships, supply of school uniforms and bicycles for the benefit of students belonging to these communities.

#### **4. EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP SCHEMES**

In order to enable the poor students of Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities to continue their

education, the Government is implementing three kinds of Scholarship schemes viz., Prematric, Postmatric and Free Education. Annual parental income ceiling for availing scholarship is Rs.2 lakh.

#### **4.1. Prematric scholarship**

The Government have waived the payment of special fee to the students studying in Tamil and English medium in Government and Government aided schools. Hence, they need not to pay any special fee. Further, the Tuition fee is also exempted to the students studying in Tamil medium in Government and Government Aided Schools. The Examination Fee to be paid by the 10<sup>th</sup> Standard Tamil Medium students has also been abolished.

## **Reimbursement of Tuition Fee and Examination Fee to English Medium Students**

### **Backward Classes**

The Backward Classes students of 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> Standard who are studying in English Medium in Government and Government aided schools are sanctioned tuition fee of Rs.200 per annum (at the rate of Rs.20 per month for 10 months) and the students of 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Standard are sanctioned tuition fee of Rs.250 per annum (at the rate of Rs.25 per month for 10 months) subject to the conditions that the parental annual income should not exceed Rs.2,00,000 and there should not be any graduate in the family. Examination fee is reimbursed in full to the Backward Classes students studying 10<sup>th</sup> Standard in English Medium on the basis of above conditions.

## **Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities**

The students of Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities are sanctioned tuition fee and examination fee at the same rate as sanctioned to the students of Backward Classes without any conditions.

During the year 2018-2019 expenditure to the tune of Rs.670.71 lakh has been incurred benefiting 3,48,530 students as given below.

<b>Number of Students</b>			<b>Amount Spent (Rs. in lakh)</b>		
BC	MBC / DNC	TOTAL	BC	MBC / DNC	TOTAL
1,92,572	1,55,958	3,48,530	362.25	308.46	670.71

A sum of Rs.234.38 lakh for Backward Classes Welfare Department and Rs.235.93 lakh for Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities Welfare Department, totaling

Rs.470.31 lakh has been provided for the year 2019-2020.

#### **4.2. Postmatric scholarship**

The Government have waived payment of special fee to students studying in Tamil and English medium in 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Standard in Government and Government aided schools. Hence, they need not pay any special fee. Tuition fee to the students studying in Tamil Medium in 11<sup>th</sup> Standard and 12<sup>th</sup> Standard in Government and Government aided schools is also exempted. Further, the Examination fee to be paid by the 12<sup>th</sup> Standard Tamil Medium students has been abolished.

#### **Backward Classes**

The Backward Classes students of 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Standard who are studying in English medium in Government and Government aided Schools are sanctioned tuition fee of

Rs.500 per annum at the rate of Rs.50 per month for 10 months, subject to the conditions that the parental annual income should not exceed Rs.2,00,000 and there should not be any graduate in the family. Further, the Examination fee is reimbursed in full to the Backward Classes students studying 12<sup>th</sup> Standard in English Medium in Government and Government aided schools on the basis of the above conditions.

### **Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities**

The students of Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities studying in English medium are sanctioned tuition fee and examination fee at the same rate as granted to Backward Classes students without any conditions.

### **4.3 Scholarship to college students**

Students of Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities

studying Diploma in Polytechnics, ITI, Post Graduate, Professional and Ph.D. courses are sanctioned Special fee and Tuition fee as fixed for the Government educational institutions, examination fee in full and book money as fixed in the scholarship notification, subject to condition that annual parental income should not exceed Rs.2 lakh. Students studying in second shift in Government and Government aided Colleges are also sanctioned scholarships by applying the same conditions stipulated for students studying in morning shift. In addition to the scholarship amount, boarding and lodging charges are sanctioned to students who are staying in hostels attached to Educational Institutions, at the rate of Rs.175 per month for Under Graduate courses, Rs.350 per month for Professional courses and Rs.225 per month for ITI/ Diploma and Post Graduate courses for 10 months in a year.



During the year 2018-2019 expenditure has been incurred to the tune of Rs.8,365.21 lakh benefiting 2,58,644 students as given below.

<b>Total Number of School and College Students</b>			<b>Amount Spent (Rs. in lakh)</b>		
BC	MBC/DNC	TOTAL	BC	MBC/DNC	TOTAL
1,40,051	1,18,593	2,58,644	5,264.42	3,100.79	8,365.21

A sum of Rs.5,500 lakh for Backward Classes Welfare Department and Rs.3,000 lakh for Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities Welfare Department, totaling Rs.8,500 lakh has been provided for the year 2019-2020.

## **5. FREE EDUCATION**

### **5.1. Degree courses**

Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities students studying in three year Degree Courses in Government

and Government aided Arts and Science colleges are sanctioned special fee and other non-refundable compulsory fee as prescribed by the Government, book money as fixed in the scholarship notification and examination fee in full without any condition. In addition to the scholarship amount, Boarding and Lodging charges at the rate of Rs.175 per month for 10 months in a year is sanctioned to students who are staying in hostels attached to Educational Institutions.

During the year 2018-2019 expenditure has been incurred to the tune of Rs.3,181.93 lakh benefiting 1,80,077 students as given below.

<b>Number of Students</b>			<b>Amount Spent (Rs. in lakh)</b>		
BC	MBC/DNC	TOTAL	BC	MBC/DNC	TOTAL
97,455	82,622	1,80,077	1,781.94	1,399.99	3,181.93

A sum of Rs.1,781.95 lakh for Backward Classes Welfare Department and Rs.1,400 lakh for Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities Welfare Department, totaling Rs.3,181.95 lakh has been provided for the year 2019-2020.

## **5.2. Free Education - Diploma courses**

Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities students studying Diploma courses in Government and Government aided Polytechnic Colleges are sanctioned tuition fee, special fee and non-refundable compulsory fee as prescribed by the Government, book money as fixed in the scholarship notification and examination fee in full, subject to the conditions that the annual parental income should not exceed Rs.2,00,000 and the beneficiary should be the first diploma holder / graduate in the family. In addition to the scholarship amount, Boarding

and Lodging charges at the rate of Rs.225 per month for 10 months in a year is sanctioned to students who are staying in hostels attached to Educational Institutions.

During the year 2018-2019 expenditure has been incurred to the tune of Rs.183.43 lakh benefiting 4,687 students as given below.

<b>Number of Students</b>			<b>Amount Spent (Rs. in lakh)</b>		
BC	MBC/DNC	TOTAL	BC	MBC/DNC	TOTAL
2,676	2,011	4,687	107.64	75.79	183.43

A sum of Rs.126.49 lakh for Backward Classes Welfare Department and Rs.130 lakh for Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities Welfare Department, totaling Rs.256.49 lakh has been provided for the year 2019-2020.

### **5.3. Free Education - Professional courses**

Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities students selected under Government quota through single window system and pursuing Professional Courses in Government, Government aided and self financing Colleges, are sanctioned special fee and non-refundable compulsory fee as prescribed by the Government, book money as fixed in scholarship notification and examination fee in full, subject to the conditions that the annual parental income should not exceed Rs.2,00,000 and the beneficiary should be the first graduate in the family. In addition to the scholarship amount, Boarding and Lodging charges at the rate of Rs.350 per month for 10 months in a year is sanctioned to students who are staying in hostels attached to Educational Institutions.

During the year 2018-2019 expenditure has been incurred to the tune of Rs.7,673.97 lakh benefiting 1,48,864 students as given below.

<b>Number of Students</b>			<b>Amount Spent (Rs. in lakh)</b>		
BC	MBC/DNC	TOTAL	BC	MBC/DNC	TOTAL
91,792	57,072	1,48,864	4,741.58	2,932.39	7,673.97

A sum of Rs.5,281.57 lakh for Backward Classes Welfare Department and Rs.3,300 lakh for Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities Welfare Department, totaling Rs.8,581.57 lakh has been provided for the year 2019-2020.

#### **5.4. Web enabled sanction of scholarship**

Sanction and disbursement of scholarship to the college students of Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities is implemented through the web application [www.escholarship.tn.gov.in](http://www.escholarship.tn.gov.in)

developed by the National Informatics Centre. Scholarships are directly credited into the students' bank account through ECS by the respective Heads of the Department adopting centralized payment system.

## **6. INCENTIVE SCHEME FOR RURAL GIRL STUDENTS OF THE MOST BACKWARD CLASSES AND DENOTIFIED COMMUNITIES**

Education is the first step for the empowerment of women. In order to encourage education among rural girl children and to reduce the drop out of girl children at primary education level, the Government is granting financial assistance to the girl students belonging to Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities studying from 3<sup>rd</sup> Standard to 5<sup>th</sup> Standard in rural areas at the rate of Rs.500 per annum and Rs.1,000 per annum for the students studying in 6<sup>th</sup> Standard. The annual parental income ceiling for availing

this benefit has been enhanced to Rs.72,000 from the year 2017-2018.

During the year 2018-2019, expenditure has been incurred to the tune of Rs.1,588.26 lakh benefiting 2,46,302 girl students.

A sum of Rs.1,434.50 lakh has been provided for the year 2019-2020.

## **7. HOSTELS**

Government is running 1,348 hostels for the benefit of poor Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes, Denotified Communities and Minorities students to pursue their studies without any impediments. Out of this, 738 are functioning under the control of the Department of Backward Classes, 594 are functioning under the control of the Department of Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities and 16 are functioning under the control of the Department of Minorities Welfare. Out of these 1,348 hostels 1,106 are School Hostels 242 are College Hostels.



Similarly the number of boys and girls hostels are 843 and 505 respectively. Annually 85,314 students are benefitted by these hostels. Students with annual parental income up to Rs.1 lakh are admitted in the hostels.

The District Collectors have been empowered to sanction 10% additional strength to the needy hostels. If demand for hostel admissions exceeds even after sanctioning additional seats by District Collectors, the Heads of the Department have been empowered to admit 2,185 students additionally over and above the sanctioned strength of the hostels. Apart from this, 5 additional seats are allotted in each hostel to accommodate children of Sri Lankan Tamil refugees who reside in camps.

Children of plantation workers having nativity in Tamilnadu but working in plantations in Kerala border adjacent to Theni district have been exempted from producing community and

income certificates for admission in the hostels situated in Theni District from the year 2012-2013. In lieu of these, they are admitted in the hostels, on the basis of a self declaration by the parents.

### **7.1 Opening of new hostels**

During the year 2018-2019, 5 new college hostels have been opened with a sanctioned strength of 100 boarders per hostel benefiting 500 students additionally.

### **7.2 Food charges**

The Government has enhanced the monthly food charges of school hostel boarders from Rs.755 to Rs.900 and college hostel boarders from Rs.875 to Rs.1,000 with effect from 1.6.2017. The Government is sanctioning Rs.20 per student for school hostel boarders and Rs.40 per student for college hostel boarders for providing special food during festivals. Miscellaneous charges of Rs.50 per month for

school hostel boarders and Rs.75 per month for college hostel boarders are given to meet out expenses on soap, hair oil, etc.

During the year 2018-2019 expenditure has been incurred to a tune of Rs.25,224.12 lakh towards food charges, administration, maintenance and other expenditure for running of hostels.

A sum of Rs.14,458.21 lakh for Backward Classes Welfare Department and Rs.12,446.56 lakh for Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities Welfare Department, totaling Rs.26,904.77 lakh has been provided for the year 2019-2020.

### **7.3. Benefits provided to boarders of hostels**

1. The boarders of hostels studying up to 12<sup>th</sup> Standard are supplied with all the text books free of cost by the Department of School Education.

2. Special Guides are provided free of cost to the boarders studying in 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Standard to improve their performance in Public Examinations.
3. One English and two Tamil dailies are supplied to each hostel.
4. Four sets of uniforms are provided to the hostel boarders studying from 4<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> Standard as per the colour and pattern adopted under Noon Meal Scheme.
5. Library books, book shelves, play materials, colour television, wet grinder, mixer, water purifier, napkin incinerator, fire extinguishers, idly steamers and electric insect destroyer are supplied to both school and college hostels. In addition, two tier bunk cots, inverter, reference

- books, instant wet Grinder, Steam boiler are supplied to college hostels.
6. Mats, Jamakkalam, bed sheets, stainless steel plates and tumblers, etc, are provided to all hostel boarders.
  7. Woolen sweaters are provided to the boarders in hill stations.
  8. Boiled eggs are provided at the rate of one per student per day for five days in a week. Bananas are given to the boarders who do not take egg.
  9. Three medical checkups are conducted for all hostel boarders and Kallar Reclamation school students every year.
  10. Mutton and chicken are provided on the first and third Wednesday and

second and fourth Wednesday respectively in every month.

11. Sundal and Chukkumalli coffee/ tea are provided to the hostel boarders every evening.
12. Career guidance programmes are conducted for creating awareness among hostel boarders studying in Standard 10<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and Colleges to aid in their preparation for competitive examinations.

#### **7.4 New schemes taken up during 2018-2019 for hostels.**

1. 5 New College Hostels have been opened at cost of Rs.209.18 lakh.
2. 6 School Hostels have been upgraded into College Hostels at a cost of Rs.14.85 lakh.

3. Reference Books for 231 college hostels at a cost of Rs.57.75 lakh in order to equip hostel boarders to take up Competitive Examinations viz., UPSC, TNPSC, TRB, RRB, etc.
4. Compound Walls have been constructed in 21 hostels at a cost of Rs.235.28 lakh.
5. 1 cook post additionally sanctioned to 196 hostels at a cost of Rs. 415.48 lakh where only single cook was available.
6. Amount provided for emergency maintenance works to 99 College hostels which were constructed 5 years ago, has been enhanced from Rs.15,000 to Rs.20,000.
7. Supply of commercial idly steamers for the remaining 262 Hostels at a cost of Rs.41.92 lakh.

8. Installation of CCTV cameras in 502 girls hostels at a cost of Rs.5.02 crore.
9. Rs.5 crore was additionally sanctioned for repair and maintenance works in hostels.

## **8. BOARDING GRANTS TO THE GOVERNMENT APPROVED PRIVATE HOSTELS**

Boarding grant is sanctioned to students of Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities staying in 39 Government recognized private hostels, whose parental annual income is not exceeding Rs.50,000. The Government has enhanced the boarding grants from Rs.650 per month to Rs.900 per month from the year 2018-2019.

During the year 2018-2019 expenditure has been incurred to the tune of Rs.83.62 lakh for 929 students as given below.



Number of Students benefitted			Amount Spent (Rs. in lakh)		
BC	MBC/DNC	TOTAL	BC	MBC/DNC	TOTAL
487	442	929	43.84	39.78	83.62

A sum of Rs.50 lakh for Backward Classes Welfare Department and Rs.50 lakh for Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities Welfare Department, totaling Rs.100 lakh has been provided for the year 2019-2020.

## **9. STATE LEVEL AWARDS TO BEST WARDENS/ MATRONS**

In order to encourage the Wardens / Matrons to maintain the hostels in aesthetic manner, the best Warden / Matron are selected at state level and awarded first prize of Rs.5,000, second prize of Rs.3,000 and third prize of Rs.2,000 every year.

During the year 2018-2019 expenditure has been incurred to the tune of Rs.0.10 lakh.

A sum of Rs.0.10 lakh has been provided for the year 2019-2020.

## **10. CONSTRUCTION OF OWN BUILDINGS FOR HOSTELS**

1,277 hostels are functioning in own buildings and 71 hostels are functioning in rented buildings out of 1,348 hostels functioning under the control of this Department. Orders have been issued for construction of own buildings for 25 hostels and construction is in progress through Public Works Department. Action is being taken to construct own buildings for the remaining 46 hostels.

Hon'ble Chief Minister has inaugurated buildings for 86 hostels during the last three years.

During the year 2018-2019 expenditure has been incurred to the tune of Rs.1,793.10 lakh for construction of hostel buildings.

A sum of Rs.185.92 lakh for Backward Classes Welfare Department and Rs.84.40 lakh for Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities Welfare Department totaling Rs.270.32 lakh has been provided for construction of hostel buildings for the year 2019-2020.

## **11. MAINTENANCE OF HOSTELS**

Maintenance works in the hostels functioning in Government buildings are taken up through Public Works Department. An allotment of Rs.600 lakh is being provided every year for maintenance works. During 2018-2019, maintenance works were carried out in 150 hostels at a total cost of Rs. 600 lakh. In addition to that, in the year 2018-2019 Rs.5 crore has been sanctioned for taking up special maintenance and repair works in hostels and the works were also carried by the Public Works Department in 81 hostels.

For the year 2019-2020 a sum of Rs.600 lakh has been provided for maintenance of hostels.

## **12. KALLAR RECLAMATION SCHOOLS**

In order to achieve educational advancement of people belonging to Piramalai Kallar Community, this department is running Kallar Reclamation Schools in the Districts of Madurai, Theni and Dindigul, where the population of Piramalai Kallar Community is predominant. At present, 295 Kallar Reclamation Schools are functioning (213 Primary Schools, 22 Middle Schools, 22 High Schools and 38 Higher Secondary Schools) and 24,895 students are studying in these schools.

Students of Kallar Reclamation schools are given special cash incentive, foot wear, lap-top, school bag, geometry box, crayons and Atlas by the School Education department as provided to the students studying in Government / Aided

schools. During the academic year 2018-2019 Kallar Reclamation schools have registered a pass percentage of 94.9% in 10<sup>th</sup> Standard, 96.5% in 11<sup>th</sup> Standard and 96.8% in 12<sup>th</sup> Standard Public Examinations.

From the year 2011-2012, Lower Kinder Garten English Medium classes were started in 15 Kallar Primary Schools in Madurai, Theni and Dindigul districts at the rate of 5 in each district. At present these schools have English medium classes up to 5th Standard benefiting 818 students.

During the year 2018-2019, expenditure has been incurred to the tune of Rs.10,626.34 lakh for the administration of Kallar Reclamation schools.

A sum of Rs.12,095.04 lakh has been provided for the year 2019-2020.

### **12.1. Maintenance of Kallar Reclamation school buildings**

To carry out maintenance and repair works in Kallar Reclamation schools, a sum of Rs.1 crore is allotted every year. For the year 2018-2019 maintenance works have been carried out in 21 Schools.

A sum of Rs.1 crore has been allotted for the maintenance of Kallar Reclamation School buildings for the year 2019-2020.

### **12.2 Prize scheme for the Headmasters / Teachers of Kallar Reclamation schools**

From the academic year 2011-2012, an award has been introduced with a cash prize of Rs.10,000 and Certificate of Appreciation to the Headmasters of Kallar Reclamation High / Higher Secondary Schools who ensures pass percentage of 95% and above in 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Standard Public Examinations.

Similarly the scheme of awarding cash incentive of Rs.5,000 to PG / B.T Teachers of Kallar Reclamation Schools, who achieve 100% result in their subject in 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Standard Public Examinations, is being implemented from the academic year 2014-2015.

During the year 2018-2019 expenditure has been incurred to the tune of Rs.26.60 lakh for awarding prizes.

A sum of Rs.22 lakh has been provided for the year 2019-2020 for this scheme.

### **12.3 New schemes taken up during 2018-2019 for Kallar Reclamation Schools.**

1. Play / Sports materials have been supplied to 292 Kallar Reclamation Schools at a cost of Rs.38.63 lakh.
2. 10 Kallar Reclamation Schools have been upgraded (4 Primary Schools in to Middle Schools; 3 Middle Schools in to High

Schools; 3 High Schools in to Higher Secondary Schools).

### **13. DISTRIBUTION OF UNIFORMS**

Four sets of uniforms are supplied free of cost to the students of Kallar Reclamation Schools studying upto 8<sup>th</sup> Standard by the Social Welfare and Nutritious Meal Programme Department. The boarders of Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes, Denotified Communities and Minority hostels studying up to 10<sup>th</sup> Standard are supplied four sets of uniforms free of cost every year. The colour and pattern of the uniforms are same as that of the uniforms followed in Government Schools. Clothes for uniforms are procured from the Co-optex and stitched through the District Women Weavers Co-operative Societies.

During the year 2018-2019, uniforms have been supplied to 37,808 boarders at a cost of Rs.469.71 lakh as given below.



<b>Number of Students benefitted</b>			<b>Amount Spent (Rs. in lakh)</b>		
BC	MBC / DNC	TOTAL	BC	MBC / DNC	TOTAL
20,291	17,517	37,808	244.98	224.73	469.71

A sum of Rs.200 lakh for Backward Classes Welfare Department and Rs.224.73 lakh for Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities Welfare Department totaling Rs.424.73 lakh has been provided for the year 2019-2020.

#### **14. DISTRIBUTION OF BICYCLES**

In order to encourage Higher Secondary education, bicycles are distributed free of cost to the students belonging to Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes, Denotified Communities and Minorities studying in 11<sup>th</sup> Standard in Government, Government Aided and partly aided schools without any income ceiling. The students staying in the hostels situated in the school premises and students of residential

schools are not eligible to get bicycles. Distribution of bicycles is monitored online ([www.agaram.tn.gov.in/freecycles](http://www.agaram.tn.gov.in/freecycles)).

Bi-cycles were supplied to students who had studied 11<sup>th</sup> Standard in the academic year 2017-2018 and as well as to the students who had studied 11<sup>th</sup> Standard in the academic year 2018-2019. For the above two years combinedly 10,87,147 bicycles in the year 2018-2019 were distributed in the State in total, including 7,39,636 bicycles for Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes, Denotified Communities and Minorities students.

During the year 2018-2019 expenditure has been incurred to a tune of Rs. 26,683.34 lakh for distribution of bicycles to 7,39,636 students as given below.

Number of Students benefitted			Amount Spent (Rs. in lakh)		
BC	MBC / DNC	TOTAL	BC	MBC / DNC	TOTAL
3,95,200	3,44,436	7,39,636	13,890.47	12,792.87	26,683.34

A sum of Rs.7,300 lakh for Backward Classes Welfare Department and Rs.6,548.11 lakh for Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities Welfare Department, totaling Rs.13,848.11 lakh has been provided for the year 2019-2020.

## **15. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SCHEMES**

### **15.1. Supply of Iron Boxes**

Iron Boxes are distributed free of cost to the poor people belonging to Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities who are engaged in laundry activities to develop their economic status. For availing the benefit under the scheme,

the annual income of the beneficiaries should not exceed Rs.72,000.

In the year 2018-2019, 1,965 iron boxes have been distributed at a cost of Rs.104.97 lakh.

A sum of Rs.105 lakh has been provided for the year 2019-2020.

## **15.2. Supply of Sewing Machines**

Sewing Machines are distributed free of cost to poor people belonging to Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities for their economic upliftment. This scheme has been modified in the year 2018-2019 and instead of pedal operated sewing machines, it has been ordered to supply 3,000 motorized sewing machines. For availing the benefit under the scheme, the annual income of the beneficiaries should not exceed Rs.72,000.

A sum of Rs.48 lakh for Backward Classes Welfare Department and Rs.52.80 lakh for Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities Welfare Department, totaling Rs.100.80 lakh has been provided for the year 2019-2020.

### **15.3 Distribution of House Sites**

House sites are distributed free of cost to the houseless persons belonging to Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities. The annual income ceiling of Rs.40,000 in rural areas and Rs.60,000 in urban areas for availing the benefit has been enhanced to Rs.72,000 for both rural and urban beneficiaries from the year 2017-2018.

During the year 2018-19, 474 house sites have been distributed to beneficiaries at a cost of Rs.220.75 lakh.

A sum of Rs.200 lakh for Backward Classes Welfare Department and Rs.150 lakh for Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities

Welfare Department totaling Rs.350 lakh has been provided for the year 2019-2020.

## **16. DENOTIFIED COMMUNITIES WELFARE BOARD**

For the social, educational and economic development of Denotified Communities, the Denotified Communities Welfare Board has been formed by the Government. Members enrolled in the Board are sanctioned various welfare assistances such as, accident relief, educational assistance, marriage assistance, maternity assistance and old age pension.

### **Welfare assistance provided to members enrolled in the Denotified Communities Welfare Board**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Details of the Assistance</b>	<b>Financial Assistance</b>
1.	<b>Accident Relief</b> a) Death due to accident	Rs.1,00,000
	b) Disability due to accident	Rs.10,000 to Rs.1,00,000

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Details of the Assistance</b>	<b>Financial Assistance</b>
2.	Natural death	Rs.15,000
3.	Funeral expenses	Rs.2,000
4.	Educational assistance	
	a) Girls Studying X standard	Rs.1,000
	b) Students passed X standard	Rs.1,000
	c) Girls studying XI standard	Rs.1,000
	d) Girls studying XII standard	Rs.1,500
	e) Students passed XII standard	Rs.1,500
	f) (i) Regular degree course	Rs.1,500
	(ii) Regular degree course with hostel facility	Rs.1,750
	g) (i) Regular post graduate degree course	Rs.4,000
	(ii) Regular post graduate degree course with hostel facility	Rs.5,000
	h) (i) Professional degree course	Rs.4,000

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Details of the Assistance</b>	<b>Financial Assistance</b>
	(ii) Professional degree course with hostel facility	Rs.6,000
	i (i) Professional post graduate degree course	Rs.6,000
	(ii) Professional post graduate degree course with hostel facility	Rs.8,000
	j (i) ITI or Vocational Training	Rs.1,000
	(ii) ITI or Vocational Training with hostel facility	Rs.1,200
5.	Marriage assistance	Rs.2,000
6.	a) Maternity assistance of Rs.1,000 per month for 6 months. b) Abortion	Rs.6,000 Rs.3,000
7.	Reimbursement of Spectacle expenses	Upto Rs.500
8.	Old age pension per month	Rs.1,000

Up to the year 2018-2019, expenditure has been incurred to the tune of Rs.62.41 lakh



for providing various welfare assistance to 3,016 registered members of the board.

## **17.TAMIL NADU NARIKORAVAR WELFARE BOARD**

“Tamil Nadu Narikoravar Welfare Board” is functioning for providing education and assistance for alternative employment to Narikoravar and to provide various welfare assistance to them. Members enrolled in the Board are sanctioned various welfare assistances such as, accident relief, educational assistance, marriage assistance, maternity assistance and old age pension.

Financial assistance is provided to the members of the Board to take up self employment activities either individually or as a group, at the rate of Rs.7,500 for individual and a maximum back ended subsidy of Rs.1,25,000 for a group. So far a sum of Rs.940 lakh has been provided to the Board.

**Welfare assistance provided to members of  
the Tamil Nadu Narikoravar Welfare Board**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Details of the Assistance</b>	<b>Financial Assistance</b>
1.	<b>Accident Relief</b>	
	a) Death due to accident	Rs.1,00,000
	b) Disability due to accident	Rs.10,000 to Rs.1,00,000
2.	Natural death	Rs.15,000
3.	Funeral expenses	Rs.2,000
4.	Education	
	a) Students studying from 1 <sup>st</sup> to 5 <sup>th</sup> standard	Rs.500
	b) Students studying from 6 <sup>th</sup> to 9 <sup>th</sup> standard	Rs.1,000
	c) Girls studying X standard	Rs.1,000
	d) Students passed X standard	Rs.1,000
	e) Girls studying XI standard	Rs.1,000
	f) Girls studying XII standard	Rs.1,500

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Details of the Assistance</b>	<b>Financial Assistance</b>
	g) Students passed XII standard	Rs.1,500
	h (i) Regular degree course	Rs.1,500
	(ii) Regular degree course with hostel facility	Rs.1,750
	I (i) Regular post graduate course	Rs.4,000
	(ii) Regular post graduate course with hostel facility	Rs.5,000
	J (i) Professional degree course	Rs.4,000
	(ii) Professional degree course with hostel facility	Rs.6,000
	K (i) Professional post graduate course	Rs.6,000
	(ii) Professional post graduate courses with hostel facility	Rs.8,000
	L (i) ITI or Vocational Training	Rs.1,000

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Details of the Assistance</b>	<b>Financial Assistance</b>
	(ii) ITI or Vocational Training with hostel Facility	Rs.1,200
5.	Marriage assistance	Rs.2,000
6.	Financial Assistance to Pregnant Women	
	a) Maternity Assistance of Rs.1,000 per month for 6 months	Rs.6,000
	b) Abortion	Rs.3,000
7.	Reimbursement of Spectacle expenses	Upto Rs.500
8.	Old age pension per month	Rs.1,000
	Subsidy for self employment a) Individual subsidy	Rs.7,500
9.	b) For Starting business as a group	Rs,.10,000 (individual) or Rs.1,25,000 for group

Up to the year 2018-2019, expenditure has been incurred to the tune of Rs.776.72 lakh for providing various welfare assistance to 13,388 registered members of the board.

A sum of Rs.100 lakh has been provided for the year 2019-2020.

### **18. THANTHAI PERIYAR AWARD FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE**

The Government is honouring those who made outstanding contribution for social justice in Tamil Nadu with Thanthai Periyar Award for social justice. The award was instituted in the year 1994. The awardee is selected by the Hon'ble Chief Minister every year. The award carries a gold medal of 1 sovereign and a cash prize of Rs.1 lakh. Thanthai Periyar Award for Social Justice for the year 2018 has been awarded to Thiru C. Ponnaiyan.

A sum of Rs.1.50 lakh has been provided for the year 2019-2020.

## **19. TAMIL NADU VANNIYAKULA KSHATRIYA PUBLIC CHARITABLE TRUSTS AND ENDOWMENTS BOARD**

To identify and integrate various charitable trusts bequeathed by the Vanniyar philanthropists and to find ways and means to fulfill the objectives of the trusts the Government had formed the Vanniyar Public Property Welfare Board.

People who wanted the preservation, protection and maintenance of these trusts and endowments have represented to the Government to enact a separate act for the preservation of such trusts and endowments.

The Government after careful consideration have decided to constitute a Board to safeguard the properties of such trusts and endowments created by persons or organizations of Vanniyakula Kshatriya Community and to enact an separate law for the purpose and

accordingly enacted a new act namely "The Tamil Nadu Vanniyakula Kshatriya Public Charitable Trusts and Endowments (Protection and Maintenance) Act 2018". The Act came into force on 04.02.2019.

As per the provisions of the Act, the Government have established Tamil Nadu Vanniyakula Kshatriya Public Charitable Trusts and Endowments Board with a Chairperson and three members. The Government have also appointed an officer in the cadre of District Revenue Officer as Member-Secretary for the newly constituted Board and sanctioned 22 new posts. One-time grant of Rs.1 crore and recurring grant of Rs.25 lakh has been sanctioned to the board for its effective functioning.

## **20. TAMIL NADU BACKWARD CLASSES** **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** **CORPORATION**

The Tamil Nadu Backward Classes Economic Development Corporation sanctions loan assistance at lower rates of interest to individuals, Groups belonging to Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities for establishing viable trade or business for their economic upliftment. The Corporation was established in the year 1982. It is a State owned Company registered under the Companies Act, 1956. The Corporation has an authorised share capital of Rs.30 crore and a paid up capital of Rs.12.27 crore. The Corporation has been acting as the State channelising agency of the National Backward Classes Finance and Development Corporation and obtains loan from the latter upon the Guarantee given by the Tamil Nadu Government for funding various loan schemes.



## **20.1 Loan Schemes**

The Tamil Nadu Backward Classes Economic Development Corporation is sanctioning loan to individuals, Self Help Groups. District Level Screening Committee consisting of the Joint Registrar of Co-operative Societies, District Backward Classes and Minorities Welfare Officer, General Manager of District Industries Centre and Managing Director of the respective District Central Co-operative Banks, select beneficiaries for various loan schemes. The Corporation sanctions and disburses loans through Co-operative Banks/Societies.

Annual family income limit for all the loan schemes has been enhanced to Rs.3,00,000 with effect from 1.4.2018.

### **20.1.1 General Term Loan Scheme**

Under the scheme, loan upto Rs.5 lakh is sanctioned to a beneficiary at 6% interest per

annum for small trade / business. Loans above Rs.5 lakh and upto Rs.10 lakh carry 7% rate of interest and Loans above Rs.10 lakh and upto 15 lakh carry 8% rate of interest per annum. Repayment period of loan vary from 3 to 8 years.

### **20.1.2 New Swarnima Scheme for Women**

This scheme is implemented to inculcate the spirit of self-dependence among women. Under the scheme, maximum loan of Rs.2,00,000 per beneficiary is sanctioned at 5% rate of interest per annum. Repayment period of loan vary from 3 to 8 years.

### **20.1.3 Micro Credit for Women (Mahila Samridhi Yojana)**

Under the scheme, micro finance is provided to Women Self Help Groups for small trade / business either individually or as a group. Maximum loan amount is Rs.1,00,000 per

beneficiary which carries 4% rate of interest per annum. Repayment period of loan is 4 years.

#### **20.1. 4 Micro Credit for Men**

Under the scheme, micro finance is provided to Men Self Help Groups for small trade / business, either individually or as a group. Maximum loan amount is Rs.1,00,000 per beneficiary which carries 5% rate of interest per annum. Repayment period of loan is 4 years.

The National Backward Classes Finance and Development Corporation has introduced loan schemes such as Krishi Sampada (Micro Credit loan for small farmers / vegetable growers), Shilp Sampada (Term loan for traditional Artisans and Craft persons), Saksham (Term loan for young professionals) from the year 2012-2013.

During the year 2018-2019, an amount of Rs. 7,870.67 lakh has been disbursed to 14,908 beneficiaries. The details are as follows.

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Name of the Scheme</b>	<b>Number of Beneficiaries</b>	<b>Amount (Rs. in lakh)</b>
1.	General Term Loan Scheme	479	642.34
2.	New Swarnima Scheme for Women	308	146.90
3.	Micro Credit for Women	13,568	6842.98
4.	Micro Credit for Men	553	238.45
<b>Total</b>		<b>14,908</b>	<b>7,870.67</b>

For the year 2019-2020, it has been proposed to provide loans to the tune of Rs.100 Crore under various schemes.

## **20.2 Loan Cum Subsidy Scheme for Small and Marginal Farmers for Creating Irrigation Facility**

Under the scheme, small and marginal farmers of Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities, are provided loan assistance through Co-operative

Banks / Nationalised Banks, to create irrigation sources upto a maximum of Rs.1,00,000 with 50% Government subsidy. So far subsidy to a tune of Rs.1,460.25 lakh has been disbursed benefiting 3,180 small and marginal farmers.

## **21. TAMIL NADU BACKWARD CLASSES COMMISSION**

The Tamil Nadu Backward Classes Commission has been constituted as a permanent body pursuant to the directions of the Supreme Court of India in Indra Sawhney and others Vs. Union of India and others (J.T. 1992 (6) SC 273), known as Mandal case. The Commission is functioning from 15.3.1993 under the Chairmanship of a retired Judge of High Court.

The functions of the Commission are quasi-judicial in nature. The following are the

terms of reference for the Tamil Nadu Backward Classes Commission.

- (i) The Commission shall entertain, examine and recommend upon requests for inclusion and complaints of over-inclusion and under-inclusion in the lists of Backward Classes / Most Backward Classes.
- (ii) Periodic revision of list of Backward Classes and Most Backward Classes in the State as and when decided.
- (iii) The Commission shall base its recommendations in the light of the provision contained in Article 16(4) read with relevant provisions of the Constitution of India and the various decisions of the Supreme Court bearing on the subject.
- (iv) The Commission shall examine and make recommendations on any other matter relating to Backward Classes that may be

referred to it by Government from time to time.

## **22. MINORITIES WELFARE**

In order to safe guard the rights of the Minority people in Tamil Nadu and to pave way for their Socio, Educational and Economic upliftment, this Government is implementing various welfare programmes and schemes. The objective of the Government is to bring the status of the minorities on par with majority population.

### **22.1 Separate Reservation**

A separate reservation of 3.5% has been provided to Backward Class Muslims out of the 30% reservation earmarked for Backward Classes. The Government has ordered to follow the carry forward procedure in filling up of posts earmarked for Backward Class Muslims in direct recruitments.

## **22.2 Scholarships**

The Government is implementing the following scholarship schemes of Government of India effectively to the students belonging to Christian, Muslim, Sikh, Buddhist, Parsi and Jain religions studying in Government / Government Aided and Government recognized Institutions.

1. Pre-matric Scholarship Scheme
2. Post-matric Scholarship Scheme
3. Merit-cum-means based Scholarship Scheme

These Schemes are implemented for the students studying from 1<sup>st</sup> Standard to Professional Courses / Research level courses. These schemes are funded with 100% financial assistance of the Government of India. The annual income of the parent / guardian shall not exceed Rs.1 lakh for Pre-Matric scholarship scheme, Rs.2 lakh for Post-Matric scholarship scheme and Rs.2.50 lakh for Merit-cum-means



based scholarship scheme. Students who have secured minimum of 50% marks in the previous year final examination will be eligible for availing this benefit under these schemes. Out of the total beneficiaries, 30% is earmarked for girl students. The scholarship amount under the above schemes are directly credited into the students' bank account through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT).

### **22.2.1 Prematric Scholarship Scheme**

This scholarship is sanctioned to the minority students studying from 1<sup>st</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> Standard. The students studying from 6<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> Standard are sanctioned admission fee upto Rs.500 and Tuition fee upto Rs.3,500 per annum. Apart from this, maintenance allowance is also granted at the rate of Rs.100 per month for day scholars studying from 1<sup>st</sup> Standard to 10<sup>th</sup> Standard and Rs.600 per month for hostellers studying from

6<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> Standard for a maximum period of 10 months in an academic year.

During the year 2018-2019, a sum of Rs.6,674.51 lakh has been disbursed as Scholarship to 3,24,556 students under this scheme.

### **22.2.2 Postmatric Scholarship Scheme**

This scholarship is sanctioned to the Minority students studying from 11<sup>th</sup> Standard to Ph.D level. Under this scheme, scholarship towards Admission and Tuition fee ranging from Rs.3,000 to Rs.10,000 and Maintenance allowance ranging from Rs.2,300 to Rs.5,500 in respect of day scholars and Rs.3,800 to Rs.12,000 in respect of hostellers are sanctioned in an academic year depending on the course of study.

During the year 2018-2019, a sum of Rs.2,051.88 lakh has been disbursed as Scholarship to 34,667 students.

### **22.2.3 Merit-Cum-Means Based Scholarship Scheme**

This scholarship scheme is implemented with a view to encourage the Minority students who have secured higher marks and study Professional/Technical courses.

Students pursuing Professional and Technical courses in Government, Government aided and Private Colleges recognized by the Government are sanctioned course fee up to Rs.20,000. Course fees are reimbursed in full to the students who are studying in the listed Institutions notified by the Ministry of Minority Affairs. Maintenance fee of Rs.5,000 per annum for day scholars and Rs.10,000 per annum for hostellers are also sanctioned to the students.

During the year 2018-2019, a sum of Rs.1,139.94 lakh has been disbursed as Scholarship to 4,338 students under this scheme.

### **22.3 Minorities Hostels**

In order to facilitate poor minorities students to continue their education, 16 Minority hostels are functioning at Chennai, Vellore, Krishnagiri, Coimbatore, Thanjavur, Tiruchirappalli, Dindigul, Madurai, Theni, Tirunelveli, Ramanathapuram and Kanniyakumari districts with free boarding and lodging facilities.

Two Tamil and one English dailies are provided to all the hostels to improve the general knowledge of the boarders. Library facilities are made in these hostels. Special Guides are also provided to the X and XII Standard students to score high marks in Public Examinations. 4 set of Uniforms, bed sheets,

blankets, etc., are also provided to the boarders. Awareness through career guidance programme to the hostel boarders of 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Standards and Degree courses has been given on various job opportunities available to them. Annually three Medical check-ups are conducted in an academic year for all hostel boarders. Water Purifier, Solar Water heater, Invertors, Colour Television, etc., are provided to these hostels.

During the year 2018-2019, a sum of Rs.362.65 lakh has been spent towards food charges, administration, maintenance and other expenditure for running of these hostels.

A sum of Rs.396.23 lakh has been allotted for the year 2019-2020 for this purpose.

#### **22.4 Muslim Women Aid Society**

For providing assistance to the poor destitute and aged Muslim Women, District Muslim Women Aid Societies have been formed

in all the District Head Quarters headed by the District Collector as Ex-officio Chairman. These societies are registered under Societies Registration Act. The Government sanctions grants twice the amount of donation collected by the societies, at the ratio of 1:2 up to the maximum of Rs.20 lakh per annum to each society.

With the funds available with societies, financial assistance is provided to destitute, poor and aged Muslim Women. Further free training in the field of tailoring, embroidery, shoe making, artisan and other need based training are given free of cost. The Government have sanctioned Rs.126.78 lakh as matching grant to Muslim Women Aid Societies for the year 2018-2019.

A sum of Rs.100 lakh has been provided for the year 2019-2020, under this scheme. The Government allotment will be increased for

providing grant equivalent to twice the amount of donation collected by the Muslim Women Aid Societies.

### **22.5 Christian Women Aid Society**

In order to provide assistance to the poor destitute and aged Christian Women, District Christian Women Aid Societies have been formed in the year 2018-2019 in all the District Head Quarters headed by the District Collector as Ex-officio Chairman. A seed money of Rs.1 lakh has been sanctioned to each society.

### **22.6 Prime Minister's New 15 Point Programme**

Prime Minister's New 15 Point Programme is being implemented to ensure equitable share are extended to minorities in proportion to their population under various schemes in Tamil Nadu.

The important objectives of this schemes are providing benefits under Integrated Child Development Services, job opportunities, grant of Scholarship, Self Employment Programme, upgradation of skills through Technical training, recruitment to State, Central Government, improvement of conditions in slums inhabited by Minority communities, providing rehabilitation assistance to the victims of the communal riots and prevention and controlling of communal riots.

A State Level Committee under the Chairmanship of the Chief Secretary to Government and District level Committee under the Chairmanship of the District Collector have been constituted to monitor the proper implementation of this programme.

### **22.7 Rehabilitation Assistance**

With a view to give a new hope of life to the minority families who have lost their livelihood due to communal riots and to assist



the discharged prisoners of petty offences to lead a decent life in the society, a rehabilitation scheme is being implemented. Under this scheme, financial assistance is given upto Rs.10,000 per family to set-up petty trades.

### **22.8 Financial Assistance For Jerusalem Pilgrimage**

The scheme of providing financial assistance for Jerusalem Pilgrimage by all sects of Christians in Tamil Nadu is implemented by the Government from the year 2011-2012. A sum of Rs.1 crore is allotted every year to benefit 500 pilgrims at the rate of Rs. 20,000 per pilgrim. From the year 2018-2019 the number of pilgrims have been enhanced from 500 to 600, in which 50 numbers are earmarked for Nuns/Sisters. Under this scheme so far 3,300 Christians have performed this pilgrimage by availing financial assistance of Rs.660 lakh.

A sum of Rs.100 lakh has been allotted for the year 2019-2020.

## **22.9 Grant in Aid for Repair and Renovation of Churches**

A scheme of providing financial assistance for the Repair and Renovation of Christian Churches has been introduced by the Government in the year 2016-2017. A sum of Rs.1 crore has been sanctioned by the Government for this scheme. So far, under this scheme a sum of Rs.39.62 lakh had been sanctioned for 16 churches.

## **22.10 Ulemas and Other Employees Welfare Board**

Ulemas and Other Employees Welfare Board was formed for the upliftment of Educational and Economic status of the Ulemas, Aalims, Pesh-Imams, Arabic Teachers, Mothinars, Bilal and other employees working in Mosques, Madarasas, Darghas, Ashurkhanas, Burial grounds, Thaikas, Muslim Orphanages, etc.

The details of financial assistance provided to the members enrolled in Ulemas and other Employees Welfare Board

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Details of Assistance</b>	<b>Financial Assistance Rs.</b>
1	<b>Accidental Insurance</b>	
	a) Fatal due to accident	1,00,000
	b) Disability due to accident(with reference to percentage of disability)	10,000 to 1,00,000
2	Natural Death	15,000
3	Funeral Expenses	2,000
4	<b>Scholarship</b>	
	a) Girl student studying in X Std.	1,000
	b) Student passed in X Std.	1,000
	c) Girl student studying in XI Std.	1,000
	d) Girl student studying in XII Std.	1,500
	e) Student passed in XII std.	1,500
	f) Student studying Degree Courses (Day Scholar)	1,500
	g) Student studying Degree courses (Hosteller)	1,750

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Details of Assistance</b>	<b>Financial Assistance Rs.</b>
	h) Student studying Post Graduate Courses (Day Scholar)	4,000
	i) Student studying Post Graduate Courses (Hosteller)	5,000
	j) Student studying Under Graduate Professional Courses (Day Scholar)	4,000
	k) Student studying Under Graduate Professional Courses (Hosteller)	6,000
	l) Student studying Postgraduate Professional Courses (Day Scholar)	6,000
	m) Student studying in Postgraduate Professional Courses(Hosteller)	8,000
	n) Student studying in ITI/ Polytechnic	1,000
	o) Student studying in ITI / Polytechnic (Hosteller)	1,200
5	Marriage assistance	2,000
6	<b>Maternity Assistance</b>	
	a) Pregnancy period : Rs.1000/- per month for six months	6,000

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Details of Assistance</b>	<b>Financial Assistance Rs.</b>
	b) Abortion	3,000
7	Reimbursement for the cost of Spectacle	500(Max.)
8	Old Age Pension	1,000 p.m

So far, welfare assistance of Rs.116.82 lakh has been sanctioned to 3,578 beneficiaries through this board.

### **22.11 Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK)**

The Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK) aims at improving socio-economic conditions of the Minorities and providing basic amenities to them for improving quality of life of the people and reducing imbalances in the identified minority concentrated areas. Projects under the scheme would be related to creation of infrastructure mainly in the sectors of education, health and skill development.

The scheme will be implemented in the minority concentrated areas which have been identified by the Ministry of Minorities Affairs on the basis of Census 2011.

In Tamil Nadu, the scheme will be implemented in 4 blocks viz Gudalur, Manamelkudi, Tiruvadanai and Mandapam and 18 Towns viz., Vellore, Pernampattu, Melvisharam, Ambur, Vaniyampadi, Dindigul, Pallapatti, Nagapattinam, Keelakkarai, Tuticorin, Kayalpattinam, Kadayanallur, Tenkasi, Tirunelveli, Kollankodu, Nagarcoil, Kurichi and Kuniyamuthur.

This scheme will be implemented by Central and State Government with financial allocation in the ratio of 60:40. Further 80% of the resources under this programme would be utilized for projects related to education, health and skill development of which atleast 33-40% will be earmarked for creation of assets/facilities

for women/girls. Among the other admissible projects under this scheme, infrastructures like Construction of Sadbhav Mandap, Residential School, Smart Class facility, Construction of additional class rooms in existing Government ITIs / Polytechnics, Construction of Higher Secondary Schools, Polytechnics, Construction of working women hostels, Construction of Hotels in State/Central Government Universities and establishing coaching classes within the premises of Universities, Providing Computers with internet facilities to Government recognized Madrassa Schools, etc., and various infrastructural facilities recognized by Ministry of Minority Affairs will be provided in the selected Minority Concentrated Areas.

## **23. TAMIL NADU STATE MINORITIES COMMISSION**

The Tamil Nadu State Minorities Commission is a statutory body, constituted for safeguarding the rights and interests of religious and linguistic Minorities.

The Commission is undertaking the functions like examining and monitoring the working of various safeguards provided in the Constitution of India and the laws enacted by the State Government for the protection of minorities, making appropriate suggestions to the State Government regarding the proposed legislations and welfare schemes to be undertaken in respect of minorities and also making recommendations for ensuring maintaining and promoting communal harmony in the State.



The Commission has been reconstituted for a period of 3 years from 08.03.2019 under the Chairmanship of Thiru. T. John Mahendran with nine Members.

#### **24. TAMIL NADU MINORITIES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

The Tamil Nadu Minorities Economic Development Corporation (TAMCO) was established under the Companies Act 1956. This Corporation provides loan for the benefit of Minorities viz., Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists, Parsis and Jains in Tamil Nadu at a lower rate of interest to start viable trade / business. This Corporation is acting as State Channelising Agency of National Minorities Development and Finance Corporation (NMDFC), Delhi. TAMCO is lending Term Loan, Micro Credit Loan and Education Loan for economic advancement of Minorities. The authorized Share Capital of this Corporation is Rs.5 crore and a

paid up Share Capital is Rs.2.05 crore. The Corporation obtains loan from NMDFC upon guarantee given by State Government for funding various loan schemes of NMDFC.

### **24.1 Individual Term Loan Scheme**

Under this scheme, individual term loans are provided by Tamil Nadu Minorities Economic Development Corporation for economically backward Minorities for carrying out business/trade as detailed below.

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Loan Amount</b>	<b>Interest Rate (per annum)</b>	<b>Annual Income Ceiling</b>
1.	<b>Credit line - I</b> Upto Rs.20,00,000	6%	Rural Areas Rs.98,000 Urban Areas Rs.1,20,000
2.	<b>Credit line - II</b> Upto Rs.30,00,000	Male 8% Female 6%	Persons who cannot avail benefit under Credit line – I and having annual income upto Rs.6,00,000.

Under individual term loan scheme loans are also provided for purchase of Milch Animals and Autos.

During the year 2018-2019 loan amount of Rs.1,440.91 lakh has been disbursed to 2,054 beneficiaries under these schemes.

## **24.2 Micro-Financing through Self-Help Groups**

Tamil Nadu Minorities Economic Development Corporation is providing loan assistance under Micro-Finance to the members of Minority Self Help Groups (both Men and Women self help groups) to take up various small trades like sweet stall, tiffin shop, textile business, etc., as detailed below.

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Loan Amount</b>	<b>Interest Rate (per annum)</b>	<b>Annual Income Ceiling</b>
1.	<b>Credit line – I</b> Upto Rs.1.00 lakh (per member)	7%	Rural Areas Rs.98,000 Urban Areas Rs.1,20,000
2.	<b>Credit line -II</b> Upto Rs.1.50 lakh (per member)	Male 10% Female 8%	Persons who cannot avail benefit under Credit line – I and having annual income upto Rs.6,00,000.

Under this scheme Rs.2,565.91 lakh has been disbursed to 5,645 beneficiaries through Self Help Groups during the year 2018-2019.

### **24.3 Educational Loan**

Educational Loan is sanctioned to the Minorities who pursue Professional Courses and Job Oriented degree courses in the Government/Private Institutions recognized by the Government as detailed below.

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Loan Amount</b>	<b>Interest Rate (per annum)</b>	<b>Parental Annual Income Ceiling</b>
1	<p><b>Credit line - I</b></p> <p>Upto Rs.20.00 lakh for courses in India with a maximum duration of 5 years at Rs.4.00 lakh per annum.</p> <p>Upto Rs.30.00 lakh for Courses Abroad with a maximum duration of 5 years at Rs.6.00 lakh per annum.</p>	3%	<p>Rural Areas Rs.98,000</p> <p>Urban Areas Rs.1,20,000</p>
2	<p><b>Credit line - II</b></p> <p>Upto Rs.20.00 lakh for courses in India with a maximum duration of 5 years at Rs.4.00 lakh per annum.</p>	<p>Male Students 8%</p> <p>Female Students 5%</p>	<p>Persons who cannot avail benefit under Credit line – I and having annual income upto Rs.6,00,000.</p>

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Loan Amount</b>	<b>Interest Rate (per annum)</b>	<b>Parental Annual Income Ceiling</b>
	Upto Rs.30.00 lakh for Courses Abroad with a maximum duration of 5 years at Rs.6.00 lakh per annum.		

Under this scheme Rs.13.15 lakh has been disbursed to 9 students during the year 2018-2019.

## **25. TAMIL NADU WAQF BOARD**

As per the provisions of the Waqf Act, 1995 (Central Act 43 of 1995) Tamil Nadu Waqf Board is established to maintain Waqf properties and to administer the works relating to Waqf. Tamil Nadu Waqf Board is reconstituted once in

5 years regularly. The board has been reconstituted with 11 members in the year 2017.

For the determination of disputes arising out of Waqf and Waqf properties, the Tamil Nadu Waqf Tribunal has been constituted as per section 83 of the Waqf Act 1995 and it has commenced its judicial functions at Chennai on 06.08.2018. The work relating to survey of Waqf properties in Tamil Nadu by the Commissioner of Survey and Settlements is under progress.

### **25.1 Administrative Grant**

The Government of Tamil Nadu, sanctions Administrative Grant every year to Tamil Nadu Waqf Board, as the income derived by way of contribution from the Waqf institutions is not sufficient to meet out the administrative expenses of the Board. The Government of Tamil Nadu has enhanced the Administrative Grant from Rs.1 crore to Rs.2 crore from the

year 2017-2018. For the year 2019-2020, Rs.2 crore has been allotted for the Tamil Nadu Waqf Board as administrative grant.

## **25.2 Ulema Pension Scheme**

Ulema Pension Scheme is being effectively implemented since 1981. Under the scheme poor Pesh Imams, Mothinars, Arabic Teachers, Mujawars who have served and retired after rendering service in Tamil Nadu Waqf institutions are paid pension. Under the scheme, those who have attained 60 years of age and completed 20 years of service are eligible for the pension. The number of beneficiaries under the scheme had been increased from 2,400 to 2,600 from the year 2011-2012. The Government of Tamil Nadu has enhanced the Ulema Pension from Rs.1,000 to Rs.1,500 per month from the year 2016-2017.



### **25.3 Maintenance Payments To Divorced Muslim Women**

As per the Section 4(2) of the Muslim Women (Protection of rights on Divorce) Act, 1986 maintenance amount is paid to divorced Muslim Women by the Tamil Nadu Waqf Board as per the orders of the Court.

### **25.4 Repair and Renovation Grant**

The Government sanctions grant for renovation and repair of Mosques and Dargahs as Major Renovation Grant. During the year 2018-2019 repair and renovation works have been carried out in 33 Waqf Institutions with the allocation of Rs.60 lakh. A sum of Rs.60 lakh has been allotted by the Government for the year 2019-2020 for this purpose.

### **25.5 Corpus Fund for Repair and Renovation Of Waqf Institutions**

In order to carry out major repair and renovation work in Waqf Institutions like

Mosques and Darghas a corpus fund of Rs.3 crore has been created.

## **25.6 Honorarium To Kazis**

The Government is sanctioning a sum of Rs.20,000 per month as honorarium to the Kazis in Tamil Nadu. For the year 2019-2020, Rs.67.20 lakh has been allotted for providing honorarium to kazis.

## **26. TAMIL NADU STATE HAJ COMMITTEE**

### **26.1 Constitution of the Committee**

As per the Haj Committee Act, 2002, (Central Act 35 of 2002), the State Government is constituting the Tamil Nadu State Haj Committee for a period of three years to look after the welfare of the haj pilgrims and also for making necessary arrangements for the successful performance of haj pilgrimage with the guidance of Haj Committee of India and Ministry of Minority Affairs, New Delhi.

The Government during the year 2017 reconstituted the Tamil Nadu State Haj Committee with 12 members which includes Secretary and Executive Officer as Ex-officio Member. The Committee has unanimously selected Thiru. A. Abdul Jabbar as its Chairman.

## **26.2 Functions of the Committee**

The main functions of the Committee are as follows:

- (i) Receiving of applications from the intending pilgrims and selection of applicants for haj pilgrimage from among the residents of Tamil Nadu, by draw of lots using computer software.
- (ii) Periodical instructions to the pilgrims about payment of advance haj amount, balance haj amount, airfare and other dues to the Haj Committee of India, Mumbai.

- (iii) Sending an official in Building Selection Team to Saudi Arabia for selection of suitable buildings at Makkah and Madinah in coordination with Consulate General of India, Jeddah.
- (iv) Deputation of haj volunteers to look after the welfare of the pilgrims from Tamil Nadu during their stay in Saudi Arabia.
- (v) Liaise with the Regional Passport Offices for obtaining passports for the intending pilgrims.
- (vi) Printing and supply of hand book on 'Haj and Umrah' free of cost in Tamil language every year to the pilgrims.
- (vii) Arranging transit accommodation to the out-station pilgrims and providing transport from accommodation centres to airport and back, etc., during operation of haj flights from Chennai to Jeddah/Madinah and back.

- (viii) Holding of orientation / training programmes at various district / taluk headquarters to educate the selected pilgrims on travel formalities and procedures/rituals to be observed during the pilgrimage.
- (ix) Conducting inoculation camps for administering vaccination against meningitis and administering of Polio drops in various districts based on the number of pilgrims.
- (x) Arranging for accommodation to the haj pilgrims at Makkah and Madinah.
- (xi) Coordinating with various agencies of Central and State Government, the Haj Committee of India, Mumbai, etc., and other agencies such as Air India, Saudi Arabian Airlines, Airports Authority of India, Immigration, Customs, Bureau of Civil Aviation Security, etc., and the services of

other voluntary organizations for smooth and successful haj flight operations.

(xii) Other incidental activities relating to haj pilgrimage.

### **26.3 Administrative Grant**

Every year, the Government of Tamil Nadu, sanctions annual administrative grant to the Committee. Tamil Nadu State Haj Committee meets the administrative expenses from out of the grant sanctioned by the Government of Tamil Nadu. Administrative grant to the Committee has been enhanced from Rs.30 lakh to Rs.50 lakh from the year 2018-2019. For the year 2019-2020, a sum of Rs.50 lakh has been allotted as administrative grant.

### **26.4 Financial Assistance for Haj Pilgrims**

The Government of Tamil Nadu has introduced scheme of providing financial

assistance to haj pilgrims from the year 2018-2019. Under the scheme Rs.6 crore is sanctioned to Tamil Nadu State Haj Committee every year as grant for providing financial assistance to haj pilgrims.

During the year 2018-2019, financial assistance has been provided to 3,769 haj pilgrims.

A sum of Rs.6 crore has been provided for this scheme for the year 2019-2020 .

### **26.5 Sanction of grant for deputation of Haj volunteers and member in Building Selection Team.**

The Government sanctions grants to the Tamil Nadu State Haj Committee to meet expenses on deputation of haj volunteers to Saudi Arabia to assist the pilgrims and also for deputation of member in Building Selection Team to Saudi Arabia for selection of buildings. During 2018-2019, 19 haj volunteers were deputed to Saudi Arabia to assist the haj

pilgrims. A sum of Rs.10.29 lakh has been provided for the year 2019-2020 for this purpose.

### **CONCLUSION**

The Government of Tamil Nadu attaches very high priority for the upliftment of Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes, Denotified Communities and Minorities and implementing various welfare schemes as detailed above to improve the educational, social and economic conditions of these people.

**S. VALARMATHI**  
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**and Minorities Welfare**



## ANNEXURE

### ALLOTMENT FOR THE YEAR 2019-2020

(Rs. in lakh)

<b>Department</b>	<b>Revenue</b>	<b>Capital</b>	<b>Loan</b>	<b>Total</b>
Secretariat	598.82	---	0.01	598.83
Wakf and Haj Committee	1304.29	---	---	1304.29
Backward Classes Welfare	41530.26	185.92	---	41716.18
Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities	45642.96	223.31	---	45866.27
Tamil Nadu Backward Classes Commission	99.62	---	---	99.62
State Minorities Commission	63.66	---	---	63.66
Minorities Welfare	1197.19	300.99	---	1498.18
<b>Total</b>	<b>90436.80</b>	<b>710.22</b>	<b>0.01</b>	<b>91147.03</b>



Hon'ble Chief Minister has inaugurated the newly constructed School and College Hostel Buildings on 13.06.2019



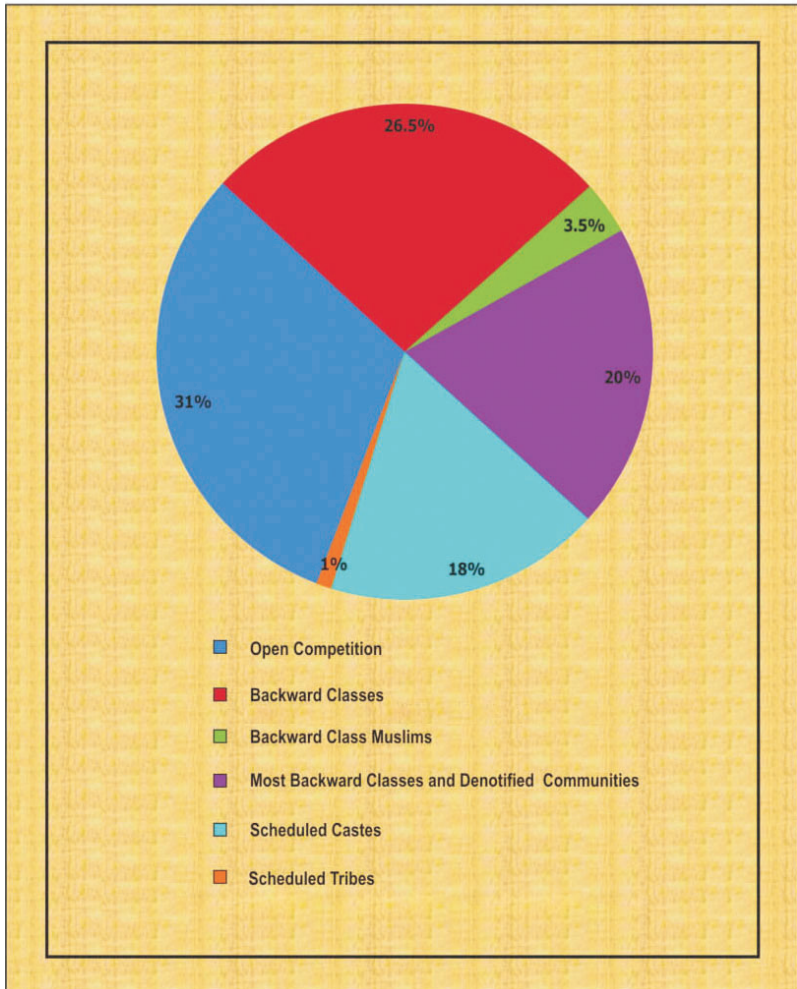
Hon'ble Chief Minister inaugurated the scheme of distribution of bi-cycles on 23.08.2018



Hon'ble Minister for Backward Classes and Minorities Welfare distributed State Level Awards to best performing wardens/matrons on 26.06.2019



## DETAILS OF RESERVATION



## DISTRICT WISE DETAILS OF HOSTELS (1348)

