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**BACKWARD CLASSES,
MOST BACKWARD CLASSES AND
MINORITIES WELFARE DEPARTMENT**

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1. INTRODUCTION

Tamil Nadu is pioneer in striving for the welfare of Backward Classes, Most Backward classes, Denotified Communities and Minorities and implementing various schemes for their social, educational and economic upliftment.

At the Government level, Department of Backward Classes, Most Backward classes and Minorities Welfare is headed by the Secretary to Government. The Commissioner of Backward classes Welfare, Commissioner of Most Backward classes and Denotified Communities Welfare and the Director Minorities are implementing various welfare schemes for Backward Classes, Most Backward classes/ Denotified Communities and Minorities respectively.

The District Backward classes and Minorities Welfare Officers under the direct control of the District Collectors are implementing various welfare schemes at the District level for the Backward Classes, Most Backward classes/ Denotified Communities and Minorities.

The Joint Director, Kallar Reclamation with headquarters in Madurai is looking after the functioning of Kallar Reclamation Schools in Madurai, Theni and Dindigul Districts.

The State Minorities Commission a statutory body, is ensuring constitutional and legal rights provided to minorities and works for the development of minorities in the state. Tamil Nadu Backward Classes Commission has been constituted as a permanent body under Article 16(4) read with Article 340 of the Constitution of India.

The Tamil Nadu Backward Classes Economic Development Corporation is functioning to empower the Backward Classes and Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities economically and to support their entrepreneurial aspirations. Tamil Nadu Minorities Economic Development Corporation exclusively provide loans to Minorities under various categories for this purpose.

Tamil Nadu Vanniyakula Kshatriya Public Charitable Trusts and Endowments Board has been formed under the Tamil Nadu Vanniyakula

Kshatriya Public Charitable Trusts and Endowments (Protection and Maintenance) Act, 2018 to provide protection and maintenance of the public Charitable trusts and Endowments created and administrated by persons or organization of Vanniyakula Kshatriya community.

Welfare Boards such as Denotified Communities Welfare Board, Ulemas and Employees Welfare Board and Christian Priests and Church Employees Welfare Board are functioning under this department and various welfare assistance are provided to the enrolled members of the Board.

43 Muslim Women Aid Societies and 41 Christian Women Aid Societies are established in this state. Through these societies skill oriented training and assistance are provided to the minority womens.

Tamil Nadu Waqf Board was constituted to supervise the administration of the waqf institutions for effective management. Tamil Nadu State Haj Committee is functioning to make arrangement pertaining to travel and accommodation to the Haj pilgrims visiting Makkah /Madinah at Saudi Arabia.

2. RESERVATION

The reservation policy of the Government enables the Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities people to secure admission in educational institutions and to get employment in the services under the State Government for their social and economical advancement. Reservation provided at present is as follows:

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%
	TOTAL	69%

3. LAST FIVE YEARS ALLOTMENT OF FUNDS FOR THE DIRECTORATES OF BACKWARD CLASSES AND MOST BACKWARD CLASSES & DENOTIFIED COMMUNITIES

(Rupees in lakh)

Sl. No.	Year	BUDGET ALLOTMENT		
		BC	MBC/DNC	Total
1	2019-2020	41716.16	45716.24	87432.40
2	2020-2021	45173.67	53680.62	98854.29
3	2021-2022	53010.75	56533.04	109543.79
4	2022-2023	54620.49	60852.73	115473.22
5	2023-2024	58361.93	60124.32	118486.25

4. SCHOLARSHIP SCHEMES

The following scholarship schemes are implemented for educational advancement of BC/MBC/DNC students.

- a) Pre-matric Scholarship.
 - b) Post-matric Scholarship scheme.
 - c) Free Education scholarship to three year Degree Courses
 - d) Free Education scholarship to three year Diploma Courses in polytechnics.
 - e) Free Education scholarship for professional Degree Courses.
 - f) Scholarship to students belonging to Tamil Nadu studying UG/PG courses in listed Central Institution like IIT, IIM, IIIT, NIT, Central Universities etc.,
 - g) Students who have studied in Government schools and admitted to Medical Courses under 7.5% preferential allotment seats is reimbursed.
- i) Expenditure and beneficiary details under various scholarship schemes during the last 5 years**

a) Pre-matric scholarship:

(Rs. in lakh)

Sl. No	YEAR	ACHIEVEMENTS	
		Beneficiaries	Financial
1.	2019-20	117822	180.05
2.	2020-21	116296	133.68
3.	2021-22	98190	112.92
4.	2022-23	107405	123.52
5.	2023-24	136966	157.52

b) Post-matric scholarships:

(Rs. in lakh)

Sl. No	YEAR	ACHIEVEMENTS	
		Beneficiaries	Financial
1.	2019-20	305073	8202.80
2.	2020-21	314293	6929.06
3.	2021-22	301497	7979.84
4.	2022-23	337854	9993.98
5.	2023-24*	256036	4909.26

c) Free Education (Degree Courses):

(Rs. in lakh)

Sl. No.	YEAR	ACHIEVEMENTS	
		Beneficiaries	Financial
1.	2019-20	183442	3484.19
2.	2020-21	194268	3730.66
3.	2021-22	196688	4095.36
4.	2022-23	209550	4795.32
5.	2023-24*	95656	2226.24

d) Free Education (Polytechnic):

(Rs. in lakh)

Sl. No	YEAR	ACHIEVEMENTS	
		Beneficiaries	Financial
1.	2019-20	3664	152.88
2.	2020-21	2848	113.91
3.	2021-22	2528	104.05
4.	2022-23	2304	95.61
5.	2023-24*	760	33.90

e) Free education (Professional Courses):

(Rs.in lakh)

SI . No	YEAR	ACHIEVEMENTS	
		Beneficiaries	Financial
1.	2019-20	130731	6987.08
2.	2020-21	116148	5362.70
3.	2021-22	114957	5946.61
4.	2022-23	120667	6591.79
5.	2023-24*	60665	3600.94

*Scholarships are being disbursed

f) Scholarships to BC, MBC and DNC Students of Tamil Nadu Studying in listed Central Institutes like IIT, IIM, IIIT, NIT and Central Universities

A scheme of sanctioning scholarship to the Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities students of Tamil Nadu studying UG/PG courses in listed Central Institutes like IIT, IIM, IIIT, NIT and Central Universities all over India including Tamil Nadu is being implemented by the Government. Scholarship up to Rs.2 lakh per student is sanctioned under the scheme. Annual parental income ceiling for this scheme is Rs.2.5 lakh. During the year 2023-24 a sum of Rs.463.40 lakh was spent for the benefit of 714 students.

g) Reimbursement of fee to the students who studied in Government schools and admitted to medical courses under 7.5% preferential allotment seats

The Postmatric Scholarship pertaining to Govt School Students who are admitted in MBBS /BDS courses under 7.5% reservation are reimbursed to Directorate of Medical Education. During the year 2023-24 a sum of Rs.4129.48 lakh benefitting of 1185 students reimbursed to Directorate of Medical Education.

(ii) Details of total expenditure incurred and number of students benefitted under scholarship schemes during the last 5 years

(Rs. in lakh)

SI. No.	YEAR	ACHIEVEMENTS	
		Beneficiaries	Financial
1.	2019-20	740732	19006.96

2.	2020-21	743853	16270.01
3.	2021-22	714516	19672.16
4.	2022-23	779021	24351.09
5.	2023-24	551982	15520.74

(iii) Government of India scholarship schemes

The Government of India Scholarship Schemes for Other Backward Classes in Tamil Nadu are being implemented from the year 2003-04. Details of expenditure for the last 5 years are as follows.

a) Pre-matric scholarship (Centrally shared scheme)

(Rs.in lakh)

Sl. No.	Year	Allotment	Expenditure
1.	2019-20	2470.00	2470.00
2.	2020-21	2840.00	2613.50
3.	2021-22	5389.52	653.05
4.	2022-23	7366.36	6647.89*
5.	2023-24	6744.20	**

* Under this scheme, for the year 2022-23 a sum of Rs.12193.08 lakh is being sanctioned to 3,04,827 Girls students studied 9th and 10th standard in Government School.

** For the year 2023-24 a sum of Rs.122 crore will be disbursed to approximately 3,05,000 students.

Under the "Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Pre-Matric Scholarship for OBC, EBC and DNT students", Central Government and State Government's sharing pattern was 50:50 upto 2021-2022. Now, it has been revised to 60:40 ratio. (Centre : State)

As per the revised guidelines of GOI, under this Pre-Matric Scholarship scheme, from the year 2022-23 onwards, the scholarship amount of Rs.4,000/- per annum sanctioned to BC, MBC & DNC Girls students studying in 9th and 10th standards in Government schools with a annual parental income not exceeding Rs.2.5 Lakh.

b) Post-matric scholarships (Centrally shared scheme)

Under the "Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Post-Matric Scholarship for OBC, EBC and DNT students", Central Government was providing 100% financial assistance upto 2021-2022. Now, it has been revised to 60:40 ratio. (Centre:State)

(Rs. in lakh)

Sl. No	Year	Allotment	Expenditure
1.	2019-20	7575.00	7575.00
2.	2020-21	11481.00	11481.00
3.	2021-22	16079.00	16079.00
4.	2022-23	13828.54	13828.54
5.	2023-24	22500.00	22500.00*

* For the year 2023-24, the scholarship amount Rs.10347.55 lakh sanctioned to 2,21,909 students. The action is being taken to disburse the scholarship amount to remaining students.

c) Top-Class School Education Scheme for OBC, EBC and DNT Students

Top-class School Education Scheme for OBC, EBC and DNT is a central sector scheme (100% center assistance) which is being implemented from the year 2022-2023.

The students of listed institutes as specified by Government of India can apply through National Scholarship Portal.

Under this scheme, the grants will be provided for tuition fee hostel fee and other charges as required by the school, subject to a maximum of Rs.75,000/-per annum per student of class 9th and 10th and Rs.1,25,000/- per annum per student of class 11th and 12th.

Eligibility of the scheme: Parental annual income should not exceed Rs.2.5 lakh

5. KALLAR RECLAMATION SCHOOLS

For educational advancement of the Piramalai Kallar Community people, 299 Kallar reclamation schools are functioning in Madurai, Theni and Dindugul Districts. About 26,154 students are studying in these schools.

(i) Number of Kallar Reclamation schools

Category	Districts			
	Madurai	Theni	Dindigul	Total
Primary schools	105	62	46	213
Middle schools	10	7	5	22
High schools	13	4	3	20
Higher secondary schools	21	11	8	40
Residential Schools	2	1	1	4
Total	151	85	63	299

(ii) Students Strength in Kallar Reclamation schools

Sl. No.	Category of schools	Number of schools	Boys	Girls	Total
1.	Primary Schools (1 st std to 5 th std) including KG Classes	213	4603	4558	9161
2.	Middle Schools	22	720	774	1494
3.	High Schools	20	1182	1002	2184
4.	Higher secondary Schools	40	6945	6072	13017
5.	Residential Schools	4	154	144	298
	TOTAL	299	13604	12550	26154

(iii) English Medium classes in Kallar Reclamation Schools

English medium education were started and functioning from Kindergarden Classes (LKG) to class 10 in Kallar Reclamation Schools located in Madurai, Theni and Dindugul districts. In the academic year 2023-2024, 1,422 students have been enrolled in English Medium classes.

District	LKG			UKG			1 st Std to 5 th Std English Medium			6 th Std to 10 th Std English Medium			Grand Total
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	
Madurai	42	32	74	56	54	110	63	68	131	148	128	276	591
Theni	32	46	78	52	45	97	54	52	106	129	96	225	506
Dindigul	16	33	49	24	23	47	37	53	90	61	78	139	325
Total	90	111	201	132	122	254	154	173	327	338	302	640	1422

(iv) Pass percentage of Kallar reclamation schools in 10th ,11th and 12th standard Public Examination

For the academic year 2022-2023

Sl. No	District	10 th Standard			11 th Standard			12 th Standard		
		Appeared for exam	Passed	Percentage	Appeared for exam	Passed	Percentage	Appeared for exam	Passed	Percentage
1	Madurai	1278	1210	94.7	1085	989	91.2	986	950	96.3
2	Theni	426	379	89.0	436	373	85.6	434	392	90.3
3	Dindigul	407	367	90.2	256	232	90.6	292	282	96.6
	Total	2111	1956	92.6	1777	1594	89.7	1712	1624	94.8

For the academic year 2023-2024

Sl. No	District	10 th Standard			11 th Standard			12 th Standard		
		Appeared for exam	Passed	Percentage	Appeared for exam	Passed	Percentage	Appeared for exam	Passed	Percentage
1	Madurai	1362	1293	94.93	1136	1064	93.66	1032	994	96.31
2	Theni	438	402	91.78	416	358	86.06	416	394	94.71
3	Dindigul	445	388	87.19	309	276	89.32	240	230	95.83
	Total	2245	2083	92.78	1861	1698	91.24	1688	1618	95.85

(v) Award of cash incentive to the PG/BT Teachers of Kallar reclamation schools who achieve 100% pass percentage in their subject in Std X and XII Public Exam.

Details of prizes awarded during the year 2019-2020, 2020-2021, 2021-2022, 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 are as follows.

Sl. No	Details of Teachers	2019-2020 Financial year		2020-2021 Financial year		2022-2023 Financial year		2023-2024 Financial year	
		Phys-ical	Expr (Rs)	Phys-ical	Expr (Rs)	Phys-ical	Expr (Rs)	Phys-ical	Expr (Rs)
1.	B.T. Assistant	191	955000	---	----	169	845000	181	905000
2.	P.G. Assistant	271	1355000	235	1175000	197	985000	217	1085000
	Total	462	2310000	235	1175000	366	1830000	398	1990000

* Owing to Pandemic Covid -19, the Government have announced 100% pass for all 10th, 11th and 12th students who studied during the year 2020-21. As such the prizes for the BT Assistants/PG Assistants had not been awarded during the year 2021-22.

(vi) Distribution of prizes with certificate of appreciation to the Headmasters of Kallar Reclamation high/ higher secondary schools who achieve 95% and above pass percentage in 10th and 12th std., Public examinations.

Sl. No	Financial Year	10 th STD		12 th STD	
		Physical	Financial (Rs.)	Physical	Financial (Rs.)
1	2018-19	40	400000	18	180000
2	2019-20	39	390000	28	280000
3	2020-21	-	-	17	170000
4	2022-23	40	400000	24	240000
5	2023-24	30	300000	23	230000

* Owing to Pandemic Covid -19, the Government have announced 100% pass for all 10th, 11th and 12th Std students who studied during the year 2020-21. As such, prizes for the High School/Higher Secondary School Head Masters had not been awarded during the year 2021-2022.

(vii) Financial allotment for major repair works in Kallar Reclamation schools

A sum of Rs.100 lakh is allotted every year to carry out maintenance and repair works in Kallar Reclamation School Buildings. In the year 2023-2024, Regular Maintenance and repair works have been carried out in 29 Kallar Reclamation Schools through Public Works Department at the cost of Rs.99.54 lakhs. In addition, works are under progress through Public Works Department for laying of tiles and white washing of 144 Kallar Reclamation schools at a cost of Rs.4.98 crore.

(viii) Provision of Infrastructure facilities to Kallar Reclamation schools by obtaining loan assistance from NABARD under RIDF scheme

Orders have been issued for providing infrastructural facilities to 92 KR schools at cost of Rs. 5,009.18 lakh through NABARD loan assistance under RIDF XXVII for the year 2021-2022 and 86 works has been Completed. Remaining works are under progress.

(ix) Administrative expenditure incurred for Kallar Reclamation schools during the last 5 years

Year	Expenditure (Rs. in lakh)
2019-20	11780.62
2020-21	12169.78
2021-22	12091.30
2022-23	14620.89
2023-24	15210.42

6. DISTRIBUTION OF UNIFORM

Hostel students studying up to 10th std. are supplied with 4 sets of uniform every year. Beneficiaries and expenditure details for the past 5 years is detailed below.

Year	No of students benefitted			Expenditure (Rs. in lakh)		
	BC	MBC/DNC	Total	BC	MBC/DNC	Total
2018-19	20291	17517	37808	244.98	224.73	469.71
2019-20	19750	18811	38561	275.50	264.40	539.90
2021-22	15603	10088	25691	133.37	223.59	356.96

2022-23	16536	13582	30118	205.02	152.45	357.47
2023-24	20755	19521	40276	248.25	240.42	488.67

7. HOSTELS

For the Educational advancement of Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes, Denotified Communities and Minorities 1351 hostels are functioning in the State. Of these hostels, 725 hostels are administered by the Department of Backward Classes Welfare, 609 hostels are administered by the Department of Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities. 17 hostels by the Department of Minorities Welfare. These 1351 hostels facilitate 87,099 boarders to stay and to continue their studies.

(i) Details of Hostels with sanctioned strength of Boarders

Sl. No.	Dept	Hostels	No. of Hostels			Sanctioned Strength of Students		
			Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
1	BC	College	86	65	151	7840	5160	13000
		School	369	205	574	20940	11520	32460
		Total	455	270	725	28780	16680	45460
2	MBC	College	51	53	104	4350	4815	9165
		School	236	113	349	12700	6225	18925
		Total	287	166	453	17050	11040	28090
3	DNC	College	13	9	22	1105	740	1845
		School	87	47	134	6814	3490	10304
		Total	100	56	156	7919	4230	12149
4	MW	College	1	12	13	100	950	1050
		School	0	4	4	0	350	350
		Total	1	16	17	100	1300	1400
5	Grand Total	College	151	139	290	13395	11665	25060
		School	692	369	1061	40454	21585	62039
		Total	843	508	1351	53849	33250	87099

Admitted students strength

Sl. No.	Dept	Hostels	Admitted Strength of Students		
			Boys	Girls	Total
1	BC	College	7638	5251	12889
		School	18744	10244	28988
		Total	26382	15495	41877
2	MBC	College	4380	4826	9206
		School	11687	5735	17422
		Total	16067	10561	26628
3	DNC	College	869	817	1686
		School	4749	2737	7486
		Total	5618	3554	9172
4	MW	College	89	860	949
		School	0	224	224
		Total	89	1084	1173
		College	12976	11754	24730
		School	35180	18940	54120
		Total	48156	30694	78850

(ii) Admission of boarders in hostels

School Hostels	4 th Std to 12 th Std
College Hostels	ITI, Diploma, Degree and Post Graduate courses

(iii) Food charges

Food charges have been enhanced from Rs.1000 to Rs.1,400 per month for school hostel boarders and Rs.1100 to Rs.1,500 per month for college hostel boarders from 23.01.2024. Food charges are sanctioned for 10 months in a year.

(iv) Special Food Charges

In order to provide Special Food to the inmates of Hostels during festivals such as Pongal, Republic day, Tamil New Year, Independence Day and Deepawali, Rs.80/- in respect of each College hostel boarders and Rs.40/- in respect of School hostel boarders are sanctioned for every festival.

(v) Miscellaneous Charges

During the year 2021-2022, the monthly miscellaneous charges sanctioned to the boarders for soap, toothpaste, etc., has been increased from

Rs.50 to Rs.100 per month for school hostel boarders and from Rs.75 to Rs.150 for college hostel boarders.

(vi) State level awards to the best three Hostels and Staff

In order to encourage the Wardens/Matron and other staff to maintain the hostels in a hygienic manner, Shield and Memento are awarded to the best three hostels and cash prizes are awarded to the staff of these hostels. The details of cash prizes awarded to hostel staff is given below:

(Rs in lakh)

Sl. No	Category	First Prize (Rs)	Second Prize (Rs)	Third Prize (Rs)
1.	Warden/Matron	20,000	15,000	10,000
2.	Servant cum Watchman	10,000	5,000	3,000
3.	Cook-1	10,000	5,000	3,000
4.	Cook-2	10,000	5,000	3,000
5.	Sanitary workers	5,000	3,000	2,000

The cost for awarding Shield and Memento to the best 3 hostels are as follows:

First Prize (Rs)	Second Prize (Rs)	Third Prize (Rs)
10,000	5,000	3,000

Shawl, Certificates and other expenses – Rs.10,000/-

Details of expenditure incurred during the last 5 years are as follows.

Year	Expenditure (Rs. in lakh)
2019-20	1.37
2020-21	1.37
2021-22	1.37
2022-23	1.37
2023-24	1.37

vii) District level Awards

In order to encourage the better functioning of the hostels, a new scheme of awarding prizes at district level has been introduced in the year

2021-2022. Under the scheme, 3 best Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities hostels at each district and 3 best hostels among Kallar Reclamation hostels are selected annually and Mementos to hostels and cash prizes to Wardens/Matrons are awarded. Wardens/Matrons are awarded Rs.10,000, Rs.5,000 and Rs.3,000 as first, second and third prizes respectively.

(viii) Administrative expenditure incurred for hostels during the last 5 years.

(Rs. in lakh)

YEAR	BC	MBC	TOTAL
2019-20	14844.56	12277.53	27122.09
2020-21	10859.70	8632.40	19492.10
2021-22	12898.76	10441.57	23340.33
2022-23	16087.52	12913.73	29001.25
2023-24	17692.32	11521.92	29214.24

(ix) Details of funds allotted for the construction of Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified communities hostels constructed under the state and centrally shared schemes

(Rs. in lakh)

Year	Amount allotted by Central Government	Amount released from Central Govt.	No. of hostels
2012-13	276.37	276.37	5
2013-14	805.00	805.00	14
2014-15	470.17	446.66	6
2015-16	456.43	228.21	5
2019-20 and 2020-21	2115.00	1582.50	12
2021-22	1170.00	585.00	5
2022-23	No amount has been released by the Central Government		

From the year 2014-15, the Government of India allocates 60 % of the total estimate cost of construction of buildings to boy's hostel and 90% of the total estimate cost of construction of buildings to girl's hostel buildings.

8. BOARDING GRANTS

Apart from the Government hostels run by this department, 15 Government recognized private hostels are functioning in the state at present. Boarding grants is sanctioned to Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities students studying in these hostels. The parental annual income for admission in these hostels has been enhanced from Rs.1 lakh to Rs.2 lakh from the year 2021-2022. Boarding grant of Rs.1,000 per month per student for 10 months in a year is sanctioned to the boarders of these hostels.

Details of students benefitted and expenditure incurred during the last 5 years are as follows.

YEAR	No. of students benefitted			Expenditure (Rs. in lakh)		
	BC	MBC/DNC	TOTAL	BC	MBC/DNC	TOTAL
2019-2020	486	466	952	43.81	42.00	85.81
2020-2021	486	466	952	9.18	7.32	16.50
2021-2022	480	500	980	16.39	14.60	30.99
2022-2023	359	374	733	37.96	32.63	70.59
2023-2024	426	374	800	39.87	33.35	73.22

9. DISTRIBUTION OF BI-CYCLES

Bicycles are supplied at free of cost to the Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes, Denotified Communities and Minority students studying 11th standard in Government, Government aided and partly aided schools without any income ceiling except for students staying in the hostels situated in the school premises and students of residential Schools.

During the year 2022-2023 and 2023-24, totally 7,25,419 bicycles were distributed to BC, MBC and DNC students who had studied 11th standard in the academic year 2022-2023 & 2023-24 in Govt, Govt Aided Schools, Partially Aided Schools at a cost of Rs.35017.19 lakhs.

(Rs.in lakh)

DETAILS OF DISTRIBUTION OF BICYCLES										
Year	Backward Classes				Most Backward Classes				Total no. of students (Both BCs and MBCs)	Expenditure incurred (Both BCs and MBCs)
	No. of students (Boys)	Expenditure incurred	No. of students (Girls)	Expenditure incurred	No. of students (Boys)	Expenditure incurred	No. of students (Girls)	Expenditure incurred		
2013-14	108314	3699.35	143561	4797.18	89742	3119.61	108747	3752.91	450364	15369.05
2014-15	101267	3671.36	133652	4718.67	85388	2979.66	103539	3512.55	423846	14882.24
2015-16	107735	3990.81	139396	5167.37	96435	3431.16	111005	4049.19	455471	16638.59
2016-17	100480	4114.36	129964	5204.69	92668	3560.20	117757	4436.23	440869	17315.48
2017-18 & 2018-19	165889	5923.52	229311	7966.95	150844	5679.67	193592	7113.20	739636	26683.34
2019-20	80947	3272.68	109351	4222.04	75988	3072.19	96207	3714.55	362493	14281.48
2020-21	85178	3443.74	113028	4374.98	80512	3255.10	98568	3805.71	377286	14879.34
2021-22	105784	5474.32	119220	5951.46	101967	5276.79	108653	5423.95	435624	22126.53
2022-23	73903	3621.24	103886	4944.97	71091	3483.45	95264	4534.56	344144	16584.24
2023-24	87383	4298.72*	111398	5331.75*	82379	4036.06*	100115	4766.42*	381275	18432.95

* The amount of expenditure made is including previous yearbills.

10. DENOTIFIED COMMUNITIES WELFARE BOARD

Government has formed the Denotified Communities welfare board during the year 2007 to uplift the people belonging to Denotified communities, socially, educationally and economically by providing assistance under various schemes implemented by the Government.

There are 38,496 registered members in the board including 379 members registered in the year 2023-2024.

A sum of Rs.152.31 lakh has been sanctioned as financial assistance to 4,258 members. Details of assistance given during the last 5 years are as follows:

Year	Expenditure (Rs. in lakh)
2019-20	9.83
2020-21	2.77
2021-22	14.33
2022-23	27.33
2023-24	29.02

To implement various welfare schemes to the people belonging to Valayar, Ambalakarar (including Servai) communities, the Government issued orders to establish Valayar, Ambalakarar (including Servai) Reclamation Board.

11. NARIKORAVAR WELFARE BOARD

Government has formed the Tamil Nadu Narikoravar welfare board during the year 2008-09 to provide various welfare assistance in the field of education and alternative livelihood to the Narikoravars.

There are 16,010 registered members in the board including 234 members registered in the year 2022-2023.

A sum of Rs.811.27 lakh has been sanctioned as financial assistance to 14,308 members.

Details of assistance given during the last 5 years are as follows.

Year	Expenditure (Rs. in lakhs)
2019-20	18.36
2020-21	8.25
2021-22	17.14
2022-23	12.79
2023-24	15.95

At present "Narikoravan, Kurivikkaran" community has been added as 37th tribe in the list of Scheduled Tribes and it has been notified in the Government of India Gazette Notification on 03.01.2023 vide in the Government Ordered in the G.O.(Ms) No.38, ADI DRAVIDAR AND TRIBAL WELFARE(CV 1) DEPARTMENT, Dated; 17.03.2023

As per G.O.(Ms).No.69 Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Minorities (Bc3(2)) Welfare Department, Dated; 23.08.2023, "Tamil Nadu Narikuravar Welfare Board" which was functioning under the control of Most

Backward Classes and Denotified Communities Welfare, has been transferred to Adi Dravida and Tribal Welfare Department.

12. 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 every year. The awardee is selected by the Hon'ble Chief Minister every year. The awardee was awarded a gold medal of 1 sovereign and a cash prize of Rs.1 lakh. The cash prize of Rs.1 lakh has been increased to Rs.5 lakh in the year 2021-2022. Thus the awardee is awarded a gold medal of 1 sovereign and a cash prize of Rs.5 lakh. For the year 2023, Thanthai Periyar Award has been awarded to Thiru. Suba. Veerapandiyan.

13. INCENTIVE SCHEME FOR MBC/DNC RURAL GIRL STUDENTS

In order to reduce dropouts among the girl children in rural areas and to encourage them to continue their studies an incentive of Rs.500 per year is given to rural girl students of Most Backward classes and Denotified communities, studying in III to V standard and Rs.1,000 per year is given to girl students studying in VI Standard from the year 1999-2000. Parental income limit has been enhanced from Rs.72,000/- to Rs.1,00,000/- per annum to get benefit under this scheme during the year 2021-2022.

Details of students benefitted and expenditure incurred during the last 5 years are as follows.

Year	No of girl students benefitted	Expenditure (Rs. in lakh)
2019-20	256556	1584.61
2020-21	264898	1655.69
2021-22	271641	1674.00
2022-23	285959	1816.90
2023-24	257466	1630.27

14. DISTRIBUTION OF MOTORIZED SEWING MACHINES

Motorized sewing machines are distributed free of cost to the economically poor Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Community people for improving their livelihood. The annual income of the beneficiaries for availing this benefit is Rs.1 lakh.

Details of implementation of the scheme are as follows.

Year	No. of Sewing Machines	Amount (Rs.in lakh)
2019-20	3000	135.00
2020-21	3000	164.00
2021-22	3000	180.00
2022-23	2000	129.80
2023-24		

14.1 Readymade Garments Unit

In the year 2022-23, a new scheme has been introduced for setting up of 25 Readymade garments units at a cost of Rs.75 lakh. Under the scheme, each unit consists of 10 numbers of people belonging to Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities who are already engaged in tailoring activities are sanctioned Rs.3 lakh per unit. The Annual income ceiling of the beneficiaries for availing this benefit should not exceed Rs.1 lakh.

In the year of 2022-2023 a sum of Rs.75 lakh has been sanctioned to 25 units and in the year 2023-2024 a sum of Rs.30 lakh has been sanctioned to 10 units.

15. DISTRIBUTION OF BRASS IRON BOXES

Brass Iron Boxes are distributed at free of cost to the economically poor Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Community for improving their livelihood. Annual income of the beneficiaries for availing this benefit Rs.1 lakh.

Details of beneficiaries and expenditure incurred during the last 5 years are as follows.

Year	No. of Iron boxes	Amount (Rs. in lakh)
2019-20	2238	109.00
2020-21	2238	109.00
2021-22	3000	146.13
2022-23	1085	71.08
2023-24	977	71.13

15.1 Modern Laundry Unit

In the year 2022-23, a new scheme is introduced for setting up of 25 Modern Laundry Units at a cost of Rs.75 lakh. Under the scheme, each unit consists of 10 numbers of people belonging to Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities who are already engaged in laundry activities are sanctioned Rs.3 lakh per unit. The Annual income ceiling of the beneficiaries for availing this benefit should not exceed Rs.1 lakh.

In the year of 2022-2023 a sum of Rs.12 lakh has been sanctioned to 4 units and in the year 2023-2024 a sum of Rs.6 lakh has been sanctioned to 2 units.

16. DISTRIBUTION OF HOUSE SITES

House sites are provided to landless poor Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities people. From the year 2021-2022 annual income of the beneficiaries for availing this benefit has been enhanced from Rs.72,000 to Rs.1 lakh.

Details of beneficiaries and expenditure incurred during the last 5 years are as follows.

Year	No. of beneficiaries	Expenditure (Rs. in lakh)
2019-20	300	123.55
2020-21	548	344.43
2021-22	315	293.71
2022-23	47	39.50
2023-24	518	223.70

17. TAMIL NADU BACKWARD CLASSES COMMISSION

The Tamil Nadu Backward Classes Commission, constituted as a permanent body under Article 16(4) read with Article 340 of the Constitution of India and functions from 15.03.1993 onwards, under the Chairmanship of a retired Judge of High Court.

The Commission was reconstituted with effect from 17.11.2022, with tenure of three years under the Chairmanship of Former Judge of the High Court Justice Mr.V. Bharathidasan.

Functions of the Commission

The Terms of Reference issued to the Tamil Nadu Backward Classes Commission are:-

- (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 this State as and when decided.
- (iii) The Commission shall make recommendations on improved reservation for Christians, Muslims and other Minorities based on their social and educational backwardness.
- (iv) The Commission shall submit reports for classification and sub-classification of Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities in light of the provisions of the Constitution of India and various decisions of the Supreme Court bearing on the subject.
- (v) The Commission shall undertake suitable exercise through independent studies and assessment for collecting pertinent, contemporaneous data relating to the Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities, currently notified by the State, for the purpose of examination of demands of various communities and make its recommendation to the Government.
- (vi) 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.

As per the additional Term of Reference issued on 12.1.2023, the Commission shall examine the demands for internal reservation within the Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities in the light of observations made by the Supreme Court in its judgement dated 31.3.2022 in C.A.No.2600 of 2022 in particular with reference to paragraphs 68 and 73 thereof and to furnish report to the Government. Time limit for furnishing report has been extended upto 11.7.2024.

18. TAMIL NADU BACKWARD CLASSES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (TABCEDCO)

The Tamil Nadu Backward Classes Economic Development Corporation Limited was established in 1982 effectively contributes to the socio economic development of the state. It provides loans at low rate of interest for starting economically and financially viable trade, business or projects to individuals or

groups belonging to Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities.

Tamil Nadu Backward Classes Economic Development Corporation had been acting as State Channelizing Agency of the National Backward Classes Finance and Development Corporation (NBCFDC), New Delhi From 1993-94.

So far corporation has received Rs.1,18,936.27 lakh from National Backward Classes Finance and Development Corporation (NBCFDC) and Rs.1,25,452.55 lakhs has been disbursed to 529600 beneficiaries by TABCEDCO along with its contribution

18.1 Loan Schemes

The Tamil Nadu Backward Classes Economic Development Corporation is sanctioning loan to individuals and 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. Tamil Nadu Backward Classes Economic Development Corporation sanctions and disburses loans to beneficiaries through District Central Co-operative Banks / Urban Co-operative Banks / Primary Agricultural Co-operative Credit Societies. During 2023-2024 Rs.11550.32 lakh has been distributed to 16842 beneficiaries under various loan schemes. The different scheme under which loans are distributed along with interest rates and eligibility criteria are listed below.

18.1.1 General Term Loan Scheme

Under General Term loan scheme, loans are provided at low rate of interest for Small Trade / Business, Agriculture and Allied Activities, Handicrafts and Traditional Occupations as follows.

S. No.	Loan Amount	Interest Rate (per annum)	Repayment Period	Annual Income ceiling
1	Upto Rs.5 lakh	6 %	3 to 8 years	Rs.3 lakh
2	Above Rs.5 lakh and up to Rs.10 lakh	7 %		
3	Above Rs.10 lakh and up to Rs.15 lakh	8 %		

Loan repayment under the scheme is 92%.

During 2023-2024 loan amount of Rs. 985.13 lakh has been disbursed to 833 beneficiaries under the scheme.

18.1.2 New Swarnima Scheme for Women

This scheme is implemented to inculcate the spirit of self-dependence among women. Loan assistance is provided to women to run small business.

Loan Amount	Interest Rate (per annum)	Repayment Period	Annual income ceiling
Upto Rs.2 lakh	5 %	3 to 8 years	Rs.3 lakh

Loan repayment under the scheme is 93%.

During the year 2023-2024 loan amount of Rs. 585.25 lakh has been disbursed to 1080 beneficiaries under the scheme.

18.1.3 Micro Credit for Women (Mahila Samridhi Yojana)

Under this scheme, micro finance is provided to Women Self Help Groups to start small trade / business either individually or as a group. Maximum number of members in a self help group is 20.

Loan Amount	Interest Rate (Per Annum)	Repayment Period	Annual income ceiling
Upto Rs.1.25 lakh per beneficiary; Upto Rs.15 lakh per group	4 %	4 years	Rs.3 lakh

Loan repayment under the scheme is 95%.

During the year 2023-2024 loan amount of Rs. 9417.21 lakh has been disbursed to 13824 beneficiaries under the scheme.

18.1.4 Micro Credit for Men

Under this scheme, micro finance is provided to Men Self Help Groups to start small trade / business, either individually or as a group. Maximum number of members in a self help group is 20.

Loan Amount	Interest Rate (per annum)	Repayment Period	Annual income ceiling
Upto Rs.1.25 lakh per beneficiary; Upto Rs.15 lakh per group	5 %	4 years	Rs.3 lakh

Loan repayment under the scheme is 95%.

During the year 2023-2024 loan amount of Rs. 67.69 lakh has been disbursed to 118 beneficiaries under the scheme.

18.1.5 Milch Animal Scheme

As per the terms and conditions of the general term loan, members of the milk co-operative societies are provided loans for the purchase of milch animal at the rate of Rs.30,000/- per milch animal upto a maximum of Rs.60,000/-.

Loan Amount	Interest Rate (per annum)	Repayment Period	Annual income ceiling
Rs.60,000/- (for 2 milch animal)	6 %	3 years	Rs.3 lakh

Loan repayment under the scheme is 98%.

During the year 2023-2024 loan amount of Rs. 495.04 lakh has been disbursed to 987 beneficiaries under the scheme.

During 2023-2024 under various loan schemes a total amount of Rs.11550.32 lakh has been disbursed to 16842 beneficiaries by this Corporation.

DETAILS OF LOAN DISBURSED FROM 2019-20 to 2023-24

S. No	Nature of Loan Scheme	2019-20		2020-21		2021-22		2022-23		2023-24	
		(Rs. in Lakhs)									
		No. of Beneficiaries	Amount	No. of Beneficiaries	Amount	No. of Beneficiaries	Amount	No. of Beneficiaries	Amount	No. of Beneficiaries	Amount
1	General Term Loan Scheme	882	567.19	363	381.22	401	508.58	813	823.89	833	985.13
2	Micro Credit Scheme	17828	9586.16	13683	8857.26	11853	7699.71	13784	8818.28	14929	9979.94
3	New Swarnima Scheme	239	134.58	279	163.18	408	213.77	554	320.35	1080	585.25
	TOTAL	18949	10287.93	14325	9401.66	12662	8440.06	15151	9962.52	16842	11550.32

18.2 LOAN CUM SUBSIDY SCHEME FOR SMALL AND MARGINAL FARMERS FOR CREATING IRRIGATION FACILITY:

Loan cum subsidy scheme for the small and marginal farmers belonging to Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and De-notified Communities for the creation of irrigation facility is being implemented from the year 2007-2008. Loan assistance upto a maximum of Rs.1 lakh with 50% Government subsidy through Co-operative Banks / Nationalized Bank, is provided under the scheme. So far, subsidy to the tune Rs.3210.29 lakh has been disbursed benefitting 6724 small and marginal farmers.

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

In the year 2009 the Government established "Vanniyar Public Property Welfare Board" to identify charitable trusts created by Vanniyar philanthropists and to find out ways and means to ensure the fulfillment of objects of the trusts and to ensure that the benefits reach the intended sections.

In order to fulfil the testator's wishes and to provide protection and maintenance of the public charitable trusts and endowments created and administered by the persons or organization of Vanniyarkula Kshatriya Community in this State, the Tamil Nadu Vanniyakula Kshatriya Public Charitable Trusts and Endowments [Protection and Maintenance] Act, 2018 was enacted and it came into force on 04.02.2019.

To enforce this Act, the Government had constituted "The Tamil Nadu Vanniyarkula Kshatriya Public Charitable Trusts and Endowments Board" consisting of Chairperson, 12 Members including two Ex-Officio Members and a Member- Secretary. The Board has been reconstituted for the period of 3 years with effect from 12.04.2023. The Government sanctioned Rs.1 crore to this Board for the year 2023-2024 to meet out the administrative expenses. So far, 22 Board Meetings have been conducted by the Board.

During 2021-2022, 3 new trusts have been identified by the Board and so far totally 122 trusts have been identified. These trusts are located in 26 districts. Out of the identified trusts, so far, totally 74 trusts were registered with this Board. Action is being taken to register the remaining trusts with the Board.

The Board published the list of properties belonging to 35 Vanniyakula Kshatriya Public Charitable Trusts/Endowments in the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette till date. Action is being taken by the Board to publish the list of properties of remaining registered trusts in the Government Gazette.

For the year 2024-2025, Rs.100 lakh has been allotted towards administrative expenses of this Board.

DIRECTORATE OF MINORITIES WELFARE

The Government of Tamil Nadu is implementing various welfare schemes with an objective to safeguard the rights of the Minority people and to elevate the socio economic and Educational status of Minority communities.

20. SEPARATE RESERVATION FOR BACKWARD CLASS MUSLIMS

The Government received various representations from minority communities to provide for separate representation, on which recommendations were obtained from Tamil Nadu Backward Classes Commission and the Government have enacted the law providing 3.5% reservation to Backward Class Muslims out of the 30% reservation earmarked for Backward Classes in the year 2007. The Government has ordered to follow the carry forward procedure in filling up of posts earmarked for Backward Class Muslims in direct recruitments.

21. MINORITY SCHOLARSHIPS

The following three kinds of scholarship schemes of the Government of India are being implemented for the benefit of Minority community students belonging to Muslim, Christian, Sikh, Buddhist, Parsi and Jain religions studying from 9th std to Professional Degree /

Research level courses in Government / Government Aided and all Government recognized private Institutions.

- 1. Pre-matric Scholarship Scheme**
- 2. Post-matric Scholarship Scheme**
- 3. Merit Cum Means Based Scholarship Scheme**

Minority students studying from Class 9th to Professional Courses / Research level Courses are benefited by these scholarship schemes. Government of India funds 100% of the cost of these schemes. Out of the total beneficiaries, 30% is earmarked for girl students.

Students should apply for the scholarship through the website (www.scholarships.gov.in). The scholarship amount for these schemes is directly credited into the students' bank account through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT)

The details of scholarships are as follows.

Name of the Scholarship	Classes covered	Parent/ Guardian's Annual Income limit	Eligibility Criteria for availing Scholarship
Pre-matric	Std. 9 to X	Rs. 1.00 Lakh	students should have secured not less than 50% marks in the previous year final examination
Post-matric	Std. 11 th to Ph.D	Rs. 2.00 Lakh	
Merit-Cum-Means Based	Professional/ Technical Courses	Rs. 2.50 Lakh	

i. PRE-MATRIC SCHOLARSHIP

This scheme was introduced by the Government of India in the year 2008-2009 and sanctioned to the minority students studying from 1st standard to 10th standard till 2021-2022. From the year 2022-2023, Government of India discontinued sanction of scholarships to 1st standard to 8th standard minority students and only sanctioning scholarships for 9th standard and 10th standard minority students citing that, the Right to Education (RTE) Act, 2009 makes it obligatory for the Government to provide free and compulsory elementary education (classes I to VIII) to each and every child.

The details of pre matric scholarship sanctioned are as follows:

Year	Number of students	Amount Sanctioned (Rs. in lakh)
2019-20	376418	7822.96
2020-21	381333	7645.72
2021-22	449559	8678.00
2022-23*	46482	1272.69
2023-24**	—	—

*Under this scheme, for the year 2022-23 out of receiving applications by the Government of India, scholarship amount of Rs.1272.69 lakh has been disbursed to 46,482 students.

**For the year 2023-24 portal was not opened by Government of India.

ii. POST-MATRIC SCHOLARSHIP

Year	Number of students	Amount Sanctioned (Rs. in lakh)
2019-20	43233	2592.25
2020-21	44294	2477.32
2021-22	52432	2920.00
2022-23*	13530	792.93
2023-24**	—	—

*Under this scheme, for the year 2022-2023 out of receiving applications by the Government of India, scholarship amount of Rs.792.93 lakh has been disbursed to 13530 students.

**For the year 2023-24 portal was not opened by Government of India.

iii. MERIT CUM MEANS BASED SCHOLARSHIP

Year	Number of students	Amount Sanctioned (Rs. in lakh)
2019-20	5675	1469.21

2020-21	5279	1342.39
2021-22	6862	1757.00
2022-23*	3319	858.48
2023-24**	–	–

*Under this scheme, for the year 2022-2023 out of receiving applications by the Government of India, scholarship amount of Rs.858.48 lakh has been disbursed to 3,319 students.

**For the year 2023-24 portal was not opened by Government of India.

22. MINORITY HOSTEL

In order to facilitate minority student to continue their education without any impediments totally 17 Minority hostels are functioning and free boarding and lodging facilities are provided

Details of Hostels with sanctioned and admitted strength of Boarders:

Hostels	No. of Hostels			Sanctioned strength	Admitted Strength
	Boys	Girls	Total		
School Hostels	0	4	4	350	224
School cum College Hostels	0	5	5	250	241
College Hostels	1	7	8	800	708
Total	1	16	17	1400	1173

Out of these 17 hostels, 1 is a boy's hostel (Ambur College boys hostel in Tirupathur District) and 16 are girls hostels. The hostel boarders need not pay any fees and their entire expenditure for boarding and lodging is borne by the Government. In the year 2021-2022, parental annual income ceiling for hostel admission has been enhanced from Rs.1 lakh to Rs.2 lakh. During the year 2023-24, Government has accorded Administrative sanction to open two Minority college Boys hostels in Chennai and Coimbatore districts.

District Collectors have been empowered to sanction 10% additional strength to the needy hostels. Apart from this, 5 additional seats are allotted in each hostel to accommodate children of Sri Lankan Tamils who reside in camps.

In each hostel 4% seats are allotted to differently abled students. Children who are rescued from child labour practices are admitted in the hostels even during the middle of an academic year, without any condition till they complete their course.

Children of plantation workers having nativity in Tamil Nadu but working in plantations along the Kerala border adjacent to Theni district have been exempted from producing community and income certificate for admission in the hostels situated in Theni district. They are admitted to the hostels on the basis of self-declaration by the parents.

22.1 Food charges

Food charges have been enhanced from Rs.1000 to Rs.1,400 per month for school hostel boarders and Rs.1100 to Rs.1,500 per month for college hostel boarders from 23.01.2024. Food charges are sanctioned for 10 months in a year.

The Government is sanctioning Rs.40 per student for school students and Rs.80 per student for college students for providing special food during 3 common festivals viz., Republic day, Tamil new year day, Independence day and any two festivals from Christmas, Ramzan, Bakrid, Mahaveer Jayanthi and Buddha Poornima.

Miscellaneous charges of Rs. 100/- per month for school students and Rs. 150/- per month for college students for 10 months are sanctioned to boarders for purchase of soap, toothpaste, etc. This amount is directly credited into the student's bank account through ECS.

During the year 2023-2024, a sum of Rs.451.64 lakh has been spent towards food charges, administration, maintenance and other expenses for these hostels.

Details of year wise allotment and expenditure incurred for Hostel administration

Year	Allotment (Rs. in lakh)	Expenditure incurred (Rs. in lakh)
2019-20	351.74	322.54
2020-21	404.42	189.69
2021-22	402.89	270.22
2022-23	459.46	409.40
2023-24	506.76	451.64

22.2 Construction of own building for hostels

Out of 17 Minority hostels functioning under this department, 11 hostels are functioning in own buildings. Based on students strength, own buildings will be constructed for the remaining 6 hostels.

22.3 Maintenance of Hostel building

Maintenance works in hostels functioning in Government buildings are taken up through Public Works Department. During the year 2023-2024, special repair and maintenance works were carried out in 9 hostels for a total amount of Rs.1.00 crore through Public Works Department.

S. No	Name of Hostel	Amount (Rs.In lakh)
1	College Girls Hostel, Melvisharam, Ranipet District	10.50
2	School Girls Hostel, kadayanallur, Tenkasi District	3.00
3	School and College Girls Hostel, Begambur, Dindigul District	3.50
4	School and College Girls Hostel, Denkanikottai, Krishnagiri District	12.00
5	School and College Girls Hostel, Vaigunda koashpuram, Thiruchirappalli District	14.00
6	College Girls Hostel, Kumbakonam, Thanjavur District	10.00
7	College Girls Hostel, Palkulam, Nagercoil, Kanyakumari District	28.00
8	School Girls Hostel, Keezhvasal, Madurai District	13.00
9	School and College Girls Hostel, Masakalipalayam, Coimbatore District	6.00
Total		100.00

23. MUSLIM WOMEN AID SOCIETY

In order to provide assistance to the poor destitute and aged Muslim women, Muslim Women Aid Societies have been formed in all the District Headquarters of the State in the year 2007 with District Collector as Ex-officio Chairman. These societies are registered under the Societies Registration Act. Matching grant for the amount of donation collected by these societies is sanctioned to each society at the ratio of 1:2 upto a maximum of Rs.20 lakh per annum per society. Based on the need, 5 additional Muslim Women Aid Societies one each at Theni, Krishnagiri,

Villupuram, Coimbatore and Trichy have been formed and 43 Muslim Women Aid Societies are functioning.

The details of matching grant sanctioned for the past 5 years by the Government are furnished below.

Year	Matching Grant (Rs. in lakh)
2019-20	67.83
2020-21	586.16
2021-22	436.11
2022-23	249.13
2023-24	658.98

Under this scheme, in 2023-24, 9517 beneficiaries were provided welfare assistance for a total amount of Rs. 959.03 lakh.

24. CHRISTIAN WOMEN AID SOCIETY

In order to provide assistance to the poor destitute and aged Christian women, Christian Women Aid Societies have been formed in all the District Headquarters of the State in the year 2018 with District Collector as Ex- officio Chairman. These societies are registered under the Societies Registration Act. Matching grant for the amount of donation collected by these societies is sanctioned to each society at the ratio of 1:2 upto a maximum of Rs.20 lakh per annum per society. In addition 3 Christian Women Aid Societies one each at Karur, Madurai and Theni, have been formed and 41 Christian Women Aid Societies are functioning.

The details of matching grant sanctioned for the past 4 years by the Government are furnished below:

Year	Matching Grant (Rs. in lakh)
2020-21	330.00
2021-22	247.49
2022-23	162.57
2023-24	394.80

Under this scheme, in 2023-24, 3345 beneficiaries were provided welfare assistance for a total amount of Rs. 432.68 lakh.

25. ULEMA AND EMPLOYEES WELFARE BOARD

The Ulema and Employees Welfare Board was formed in the year 2009 and functioning for the upliftment of educational and economic status of the Ulemas, Aalims, Pesh-Imams, Arabic Teachers, Mothinars, Bilal, and other Employees working in Mosques, Darghas, Burial grounds, Thaikas, Ashurkhanas, Muslim Orphanages and Madarasas in the State.

The persons who have completed 18 years and not attained 60 years of age are eligible to get registered as Member of this board. Identity Cards are given to the registered Members of the Board at free of cost. The Identity Cards should be renewed once in 5 years.

Totally 14,696 registered members are in the board including 544 members newly registered in the year 2023-2024.

During the year 2023-2024, a sum of Rs.50.44 lakh has been disbursed as welfare assistance to 395 registered members of the board.

The scheme wise disbursement of financial assistance to the members of the Board up to 31.03.2024 is as below:-

Name of the Scheme	Phy.	Fin (Rs.)
Scholarship	1651	2460750
Marriage Assistance	370	738750
Maternity Assistance	306	1825000
Abortion	21	70000
Accident Death	10	775000
Natural Death	191	2975000
Funeral Expenses	197	598000
Reimbursement of cost of Spectacles	1230	615000
Pension	1051	14562450
Total	5027	24619950

25.1 Grant for purchase of Two wheelers for Ulemas working in Registered Waqf Institutions.

Orders have been issued to grant Rs.25,000 or 50% of the cost of the vehicle whichever is less to the Ulemas working in the registered

Waqf institutions for the purchase of new two wheeler. A sum of Rs.703.50 lakh has been provided for the scheme. So far subsidy has been sanctioned to 98 Ulemas for a total amount of Rs.24.50 lakh.

26. RURAL GIRLS INCENTIVE FOR MINORITY STUDENTS

In order to encourage the education of rural girls and to reduce the dropouts of minority girls at primary level, the Rural Girl Incentive Scheme for Minority Girls has been newly launched during the year 2022-2023. An incentive of Rs.500/- is given to rural girls students of minority studying from III to V std and Rs.1000/- to students in VI std, in Government, Government aided and partially Government aided schools in rural areas whose parent / guardian annual income is less than Rs.1,00,000/-.

Under this scheme, 76663 girl students have been given incentive for a sum of Rs.482.64 lakh for the years 2022-2023 and 2023-2024.

27. SUPPLY OF MOTORIZED SEWING MACHINES TO MINORITIES

For the benefit of economically backward minority people, 2,500 numbers of Motorized sewing machines were distributed at a total cost of Rs.140.68 lakh during the Year 2023-2024.

28. CHRISTIAN PRIESTS AND CHURCH EMPLOYEES WELFARE BOARD

In the year 2022 Christian Priests and Church Employees Welfare Board was established for the educational and economic advancement of employees working in churches such as preachers, pastors, disciples, singers, cemetery workers and employees in Christian orphanages, leprosy rehabilitation homes.

The Persons who have completed 18 years and not exceeding 60 years of age are eligible to get registered as members in the Board. Identity Card is issued to the registered member by the Board at free of cost. The Identity card has to be renewed every 5 years. Identity cards have been issued to 140 members in the year 2023-24. A sum of Rs. 75.00 lakh has been sanctioned to the board for sanction of welfare assistance in the year 2023-2024.

29. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR JERUSALEM PILGRIMAGE

The scheme of providing financial assistance for Jerusalem Pilgrimage by all sects of Christians in Tamil Nadu is being implemented by the State. The total number of pilgrims per year is 600. Of this 50 seats are earmarked for Nuns/Sisters. A sum of Rs.60,000/- is sanctioned as financial assistance for Nuns/Sisters and Rs.37,000/- to other pilgrims. Under this scheme, so far,

4,128 Christians have performed this pilgrimage by availing financial assistance of Rs.825.60 lakh.

Further, the guidelines of this scheme have been revised and financial assistance will be sanctioned to beneficiaries directly through ECS following the existing procedures.

30. GRANT IN AID FOR REPAIR AND RENOVATION OF CHURCHES

The scheme of providing financial assistance for Repair and Renovation of Christian churches is being implemented. So far a sum of Rs.700.00 lakh has been allocated for this scheme. Under the scheme So far, a sum of Rs.101.90 lakh has been released as financial assistance for Repair and Renovation of 34 churches.

During the year 2023-2024, a sum of Rs.24.00 lakh has been sanctioned as financial assistance for Repair and Renovation of Churches, the details are given below.

Sl. No.	District	Name of the Church	Financial Assistance Sanctioned in (Rs. in lakh)
1.	Nagapattinam	St. Peter's Church	6.00
2.	Tiruvannamalai	St. Francis Xavier Church	6.00
3.	Erode	Assembly of God Church	6.00
4.	Tiruppur	St. Thomas Church	6.00
Total			24.00

Year wise financial assistance granted for the past 5 years under this scheme are furnished below:

Year	No.of Churches	Amount Sanctioned (Rs. in lakh)
2019-20	2	5.00
2020-21	5	14.78
2021-22	2	6.00
2022-23	5	12.50
2023-24	4	24.00

Under renovation of heritage churches during 2022-23 a sum of Rs.6.00 crore was sanctioned for the renovation of Wesley Church Chennai, St. Thomas Mount National Shrine Chengalpattu, St. Xavior's Church Kanniyakumari and Caldwell Parsonage Tirunelveli.

A sum of Rs.2.00 crore has been sanctioned for renovation of St. George's Church, Madurai in the year 2023-2024.

31. SETTING UP OF KABARSTAN AND BURIAL GROUND

Order have been issued for the formation of burial grounds for Christians and Kabarstan for Muslims in District headquarters wherever these facilities are not available. District administration will acquire land for this purpose and Burial Grounds / Kabarstan will be created by Corporations and Municipalities.

31.1. Construction and Renovation of Compound Wall and Provision of Pathway to Kabarsthan and Burial Ground

A sum of Rs.1 crore has been sanctioned to construct compound wall, renovation and provision of pathway in kabarsthan and burial ground.

Under this scheme, funds have been sanctioned to Pudukottai District as detailed below

S.No	District	Name of Work	Amount Sanctioned (Rs. in lakh)
1.	Pudukottai	i). Construction of Double Layer Metal, Thar Road and Compound Wall for Muslim Burial Ground (Kabarsthan) at Kalirayan Viduthi Panchayat, Nellyyadi Kollai.	34.74
		ii). Construction of Single layer Metal, Thar Road and Compound Wall for Muhyiddin Andavar Muslim Burial Ground (Kabarsthan) at Kilangadu Village in K.Mudhalpatti Panchayat.	32.82
Total			67.56

32. MINORITY STATUS TO EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION

Orders have been issued for conferring Minority status to Educational Institutions through this department and a separate web portal has been developed to implement the scheme through online. The Directorate of Minorities welfare is functioning as the Nodal department for applying minority status. During the year 2023-24, Minority status has been granted to 44 Education Institutions. Out of these, 26 Educational Institutions conferred with linguistic minority status and 18 with religious minority status.

33. PRIME MINISTER'S NEW 15 POINT PROGRAMME

The Prime Minister's New 15 Point Programme is being implemented to improve education, ensure equitable share in economic and employment of minority people, improve the livelihood of minorities and prevent communal riots and violence.

A State Level Committee under the Chairmanship of the Chief Secretary and District Level Committee under the Chairmanship of the District Collector have been constituted to monitor and review these schemes implemented by various departments.

The scheme-wise progress under Prime Minister's New 15 point programme are given below.

I. EQUITABLE AVAILABILITY OF ICDS SERVICES (SW & WE Dept.)

In Tamil Nadu 54449 Anganwadi centers (Main anganwadi Centers – 49509 and Mini Anganwadi Centers – 4940) are functioning under the control of Social Welfare and Women Empowerment Department. 2870150 children are benefitted, of which 233811 children belong to minority communities. Under this scheme, out of the total expenditure of Rs.130346.33 lakh, a sum of Rs.9209.81 lakh has been spent for the minorities for the year 2023-2024.

II. IMPROVING ACCESS TO SCHOOL EDUCATION (School Education Dept.)

There is no barrier for the minority children in getting admitted to schools functioning under the control of School Education Department in the State. The areas concentrated with religious and linguistic minority children are served with sufficient number of schools. The details of achievements made under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) and Kasturibha Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya Schools (KGBVS) schemes for the year 2023-2024 are as follows.

Rs in Lakh		
Name of the scheme	Total amount allotted	expenditure
SSA & KGBVS	5335.69	4005.10

III. GREATER RESOURCES FOR TEACHING URDU (School Education Department)

Primary/Middle/High and Higher Secondary Schools having Urdu as first language are functioning under the control of Education Department in the State. In these schools, Urdu Teachers have been appointed and students are studying with Urdu as first language.

IV. MODERNIZING MADARASA EDUCATION (School Education Dept.)

The "Madarasa Modernization Programme" has been modified as Infrastructure Development of Minority Institutions (IDMI). As per the revised scheme, proposals received from Minority Institutions will be placed in the State Level Grant-in-Aid Committee under the Chairmanship of the Secretary, School Education Department and the Committee would scrutinize, prioritize and recommend proposals to the Government of India for sanction of grant.

V. SCHOLARSHIP FOR MERITORIOUS STUDENTS FROM MINORITY COMMUNITIES

This Government is implementing three kinds of scholarship schemes of Government of India for the students belonging to Minority Communities studying from 9th Std. to Professional Degree/Research level courses in Government / Government Aided and all recognized private institutions.

V.(i) PRE-MATRIC SCHOLARSHIP

Under this scheme, for the year 2022-23 out of receiving applications by the Government of India, scholarship amount of Rs.1272.69 lakh has been disbursed to 46,482 students.

For the year 2023-24 portal was not opened by Government of India.

V.(ii) POSTMATRIC SCHOLARSHIP

Under this scheme, for the year 2022-2023 out of receiving applications by the Government of India, scholarship amount of Rs.792.93 lakh has been disbursed to 13530 students.

For the year 2023-24 portal was not opened by Government of India.

V. (iii) MERIT-CUM-MEANS BASED SCHOLARSHIP

Under this scheme, for the year 2022-2023 out of receiving applications by the Government of India, scholarship amount of Rs.858.48 lakh has been disbursed to 3,319 students.

For the year 2023-24 portal was not opened by Government of India.

VI. IMPROVING INFRASTRUCTURE OF EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS THROUGH MAULANA AZAD EDUCATION FOUNDATION (EDUCATION DEPARTMENT)

Begum Hazrat Mahal National Scholarship for Girls Students

To recognize the students of Minority community who excel in education and encourage them to continue their pre matric and post matric schooling, the "Begum Hazrat Mahal National Scholarship scheme" was introduced by the Union Government in 2003 and is being implemented through the Moulana Azad Educational Trust of the Ministry of Minority Affairs.

In view of implementing the scheme on par with other Minority Scholarship Schemes, Begum Hazrat Mahal National Scholarship Scheme is integrated with National Scholarship Portal from 2021-22 onwards with 100% funding from Government of India.

Under this scheme, 11,552 completed applications of bio-authentication in 2022-23 have been received from the girl students and sent to the Union Government for sanction.

VII.SELF EMPLOYMENT AND WAGE EMPLOYMENT FOR THE POOR

a. Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana – National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM)

Tamil Nadu State Rural Livelihoods Mission (TNSRLM)

The goal of TNSRLM is to build a strong and vibrant institutional platform for the poor in the rural areas which will enable them to increase their household income through livelihood enhancements and to provide access to financial and other services. Under this scheme the target group comprises of poor and vulnerable sections of the community. The target people are organized into active Community Based Organisations (CBOs) to provide

sustainable livelihood opportunities. The Mission activities are funded by Government of India and the State Government in the ratio of 60:40.

b. Skill and Placement Programme

Skill Training with Placement

The skill training has been implemented since 2012 and subsequently the scheme was renamed as Deen Dayal Upathyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana **(DDU-GKY)**.

The training programme is given in the following trade.

Automobile, Health Care, Leather, IT/ITES, Retail trade, Garments, Banking Financial Services and Insurances (BFSI), Beautician Course, Tourism and Hospitality, Electrical and Electronics, Construction, Farm Equipment Maintenance, Welding, Industry Production, Logistics and Supply Chain Management, Renewable Energy etc.,

During the year 2023-2024, out of a total of 20,000 beneficiaries, 1907 minorities were trained at a cost of Rs.117.12 lakh.

c. Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission(DAY- NULM)

Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM) scheme is funded by both the Central and the State Governments in the ratio of 60:40. It aims at reducing poverty and vulnerability of the urban poor households by enabling them to access gainful self-employment and skilled wage employment opportunities.

During the year 2023-24, the achievement is given below.

Year.	Name of the Scheme	Budget allocation		Achievement on Minorities Target		Whether 15% of the allocated budget spent for Minorities
		Physical	Financial (Rs.in cr)	Physical	Financial (Rs.in cr)	
2023-24	DAY-NULM	5,400	25.28	4973	28.93	yes

VIII. UPGRADATION OF SKILLS THROUGH TECHNICAL TRAINING (Labour and Skill Development Dept.)

Under this scheme, Technical training is given to minority people to upgrade their skills and earning capabilities. New ITIs will be located and

existing ITIs will be upgraded as Centers of Excellence in areas where the minority communities are predominantly located.

There are 402 Industrial Training Institutes (Govt. ITIs 102 and Private ITIs 300) functioning in the State and 44202 students studied in these ITIs during the year 2023-24. Of which 4079 students belongs to Minority Communities.

IX (a) ENHANCED CREDIT SUPPORT FOR ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES (TAMCO)

Loans with low rate of interest are being disbursed to the people belonging to Minority Communities through Tamil Nadu Minorities Economic Development Corporation (TAMCO).

During the year 2023-2024, a total loan amount of Rs.6858.21 lakh has been disbursed to 10203 beneficiaries by this corporation.

(b) CREDIT FLOW TO MINORITY COMMUNITIES THROUGH BANKS (SLBC)

Public Sector Banks should allocate 15% of its sector lending to Minority Communities. Loans amounting to Rs.45343.64 Crore were disbursed to 2206151 beneficiaries of Minority communities through all banks during the quarter ended.31.03.2024

X.RECRUITMENT TO STATE AND CENTRAL SERVICES

A separate reservation of 3.5% has been given to Backward Class Muslims for appointments in State Govt. services and admission in the educational institutions based on the revised communal rotation.

XI. EQUITABLE SHARE IN RURAL HOUSING SCHEME (Rural Development & Panchayat Raj Dept.)

Since the sanction of houses under PMAY-G was completed in 2021-22 itself, a nil report was sent for the year 2023-24. However, out of 748006 houses from 2016-17 to 2019-20 and 2021-22, 16864 houses were sanctioned to minorities under PMAY-G.

XII.IMPROVEMENT IN CONDITION OF SLUMS INHABITED BY MINORITY COMMUNITIES (Housing & Urban Development)

Under the Housing for All Scheme of the Union Government, target fixed for construction of 46724 houses for the year 2023-2024 out of which 8130 houses have been constructed for the benefit of minorities.

XIII & XIV. PREVENTION OF COMMUNAL INCIDENTS AND PROSECUTION FOR COMMUNAL OFFENCES

As per the guidelines of the Government of India, Nodal cell was set-up in the office of the Director General of Police. The Superintendent of Police, CID (Special Branch), Chennai-4 has been appointed as Nodal officer. This cell takes all precautionary steps to prevent communal violence in the State by collecting and maintaining necessary details.

XV. REHABILITATION OF VICTIMS OF COMMUNAL RIOTS

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.

So far, Rs.1.40 lakh has been disbursed to 14 beneficiaries who were discharged prisoners of petty offences.

34. PRADHAN MANTRI JAN VIKAS KARYAKRAM (PMJVK)

The Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK) aims to improve socio-economic conditions of the communities living in the areas through community infrastructure development to support Minorities by providing basic amenities to them for improving the quality of life of the people and reducing imbalances and development deficit in the identified Minority Concentrated Areas.

Projects under the scheme are related to creation of infrastructure mainly in the sectors of education, health and skill development. The scheme is implemented in the Minority concentrated areas classified based on 2011 census.

As per the revised guidelines, PMJVK will be implemented in all the Districts of Tamil Nadu. The projects under PMJVK, can be proposed in any area where the concentration of minority population is more than 25% in the catchment area (15 km radius).

This scheme is being 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 classrooms in existing Government ITIs/Polytechnics, Construction of Higher Secondary Schools, Polytechnics, Construction of working women hostels, Construction of Hostels 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.

For the year 2019-20 & 2020-2021, approval has been accorded for implementing 61 projects in 11 districts of Tamil Nadu at an estimated cost of Rs.4268.79 lakh in which central share and state share of Rs.2,134.39 lakh has been released as 1st installment for the projects out of 61 projects. 58 projects completed and remaining 3 works are under progress.

The details are as follows:

(Rs. in lakh)

Sl. No	District	Name of the Blocks /Town	Name of the Project	No. of Units	Estimate dcost	First instale-ment released Total
1.	Coimbatore	Kurichi (M. Corp)	Construction of ICDS centre in Poonga Nagar	1	7.50	3.75
2.	Coimbatore	Kurichi (M. Corp)	Construction of ICDS Centre in Thulasi Garden	1	7.50	3.75
3.	Coimbatore	Kurichi (M. Corp)	Construction of ICDS Centre in NP Ittery Street	1	7.50	3.75
4.	Coimbatore	Kurichi (M. Corp)	Construction of ICDS centre in Andal Thottam	1	7.50	3.75
5.	Coimbatore	Kurichi (M. Corp)	Construction of ICDS Centre in Gandhi Nagar, Pillayarapuram.	1	7.50	3.75
6.	Coimbatore	Kurichi (M. Corp)	Construction of ICDS centre in Kondies Colony.	1	7.50	3.75
7.	Coimbatore	Kurichi (M. Corp)	Construction of ICDS Centre in M.G.R. Nagar	1	7.50	3.75
8.	Coimbatore	Kurichi (M. Corp)	Construction of ICDS Centre in Chithannapuram	1	7.50	3.75
9.	Coimbatore	Kurichi (M. Corp)	Construction of ICDS Centre in Mettur School.	1	7.50	3.75

10.	Coimbatore	Kurichi (M. Corp)	Construction of ICDS Centre in Annapuram	1	7.50	3.75
11.	Coimbatore	Kurichi (M. Corp)	Construction of ICDS Centre in Easwaran Street	1	7.50	3.75
12.	Coimbatore	Kurichi (M. Corp)	Construction of ICDS Centre in Ammanpudur	1	7.50	3.75
13.	Coimbatore	Kurichi (M. Corp)	Construction of ICDS Centre & Toilet in Middle School Campus at Ganesapuram	1	7.50	3.75
14.	Coimbatore	Kuniamp uthur (M. Corp)	Construction of ICDS centre in Visalakshi Nagar, Ramachettipalayam.	1	7.50	3.75
15.	Coimbatore	Kuniamp uthur (M. Corp)	Construction of ICDS centre in School Street, Sundakkamuthur	1	7.50	3.75
16.	Coimbatore	Kurichi (M. Corp)	Construction of Toilet Block in Corporation Middle School, Konavaikalpalayam	1	20.00	10.00
17.	Dindigul	Dindigul (M. Corp)	Construction of ICDS Centres Karunanithi Nagar	1	7.50	3.75
18.	Dindigul	Dindigul (M. Corp)	Construction of ICDS Centres Kumaran Thirunagar	1	7.50	3.75
19.	Dindigul	Dindigul (M. Corp)	Construction of ICDS Centres Arockiamatha Street, VMR Patti.	1	7.50	3.75
20.	Dindigul	Dindigul (M. Corp)	Construction of ICDS Centres Arockiamatha Street, Bodinaickenpatti.	1	7.50	3.75
21.	Dindigul	Dindigul (M. Corp)	Construction of ICDS Centres West Marianathapuram, New Street	1	7.50	3.75
22.	Dindigul	Dindigul (M. Corp)	Construction of ICDS Centres Poochinaickenpatti	1	7.50	3.75
23.	Dindigul	Dindigul (M. Corp)	Construction of ICDS Centres West Care street, kamarajapuram	1	7.50	3.75

24.	Dindigul	Dindigul (M. Corp)	Construction of Sub Health Centre Old Maternity Centre, Mariyanathapuram.	1	30.00	15.00
25.	Dindigul	Dindigul (M. Corp)	Construction of Sub Health Centre Santhai road MCC Plant near.	1	30.00	15.00
26.	Dindigul	Dindigul (M. Corp)	Construction of Sub Health Centre Muthalagupatti Old Maternity Home.	1	30.00	15.00
27.	Dindigul	Dindigul (M. Corp)	Construction of Sub Health Centre Madurai Road Old Pump Road (Madurai Road Pettai Road Junction)	1	30.00	15.00
28.	Dindigul	Dindigul (M. Corp)	Construction of Sub Health Centre Baska Ground Left side near ICDS centre	1	30.00	15.00
29.	Kanniyakumari	Nagercoil (Corp)	Construction of 6 Anganvadi Building at Nagarcoil Corporation	1	45.00	22.50
30.	Kanniyakumari	Nagercoil (C)	Construction of bystanders hall in Government Ayurveda Medical College, Kottar	1	90.00	45.00
31.	Kanniyakumari	Nagercoil (C)	Construction of Boys reception unit building, Construction of Child welfare Committee building and Construction of Govt. Home for Children	1	716.50	358.25
32.	Kanniyakumari	Kollancode TP	Construction of Library Building at Govt. HSS Kollancode	1	20.00	10.00
33.	Kanniyakumari	Kollamcode (TP)	Construction of Anganvadi Building at Manjathoppu Village AtKollancode Town Panchayat	1	7.50	3.75
34.	Kanniyakumari	Kollamcode (TP)	Construction of Anganvadi Building at Vallavilai in Kollancode Town Panchayat	1	7.50	3.75

35.	Kanniyakumari	Kollamcode (TP)	Construction of Anganvadi Building at Pazhayamudipurai in Kollancode Town Panchayat	1	7.50	3.75
36.	Kanniyakumari	Kollamcode (TP)	Construction of Toilet for Students (Girls & Boys) in Kollancode Govt. Hr. Sec. School in KollancodePanchayat	1	15.00	7.50
37.	Thoothukudi	Kayalpattinam (M)	Construction of CSC I in Kayalpattinam Village.	1	140.00	70.00
38.	Karur	Karur (Pallapatti Town)	Construction of New Building for existing Damaged old building at Health Sub centre Manmari.	1	30.00	15.00
39.	Karur	Hospital Building	Additional New Building in Government Hospital, Pallapatti Town Panchayat	1	637.20	318.6
40.	Nagapattinam	Nagapattinam(M)	Construction of CSC @ Nagore Bus Stand	1	140.00	70.00
41.	Pudukkottai	Manameli kudi(B)	Krishnaji pattinam Fish drying yard in Krishnaji pattinam Panchayat	1	7.46	3.73
42.	Pudukkottai	Manameli kudi(B)	Kottaipattinam Fish Drying Yard in Kottaipattinam panchayat	1	7.55	3.78
43.	Pudukkottai	Manameli kudi(B)	Construction of Anganvadi Building @kottaipattinam Yohop PUPS in Kottaipattinam Panchayat	1	7.50	3.75
44.	Pudukkottai	Manameli kudi(B)	Construction of Anganvadi Building @ Vettivayal PUPS in Vettivayal Panchayat	1	7.50	3.75
45.	Pudukkottai	Manameli kudi(B)	New Health Sub Centre building with bore well in alaganvayal(Kattumavadi)	1	46.50	23.25
46.	Pudukkottai	Manameli kudi(B)	New Health Sub Centre building with bore well in PR Pattinam	1	46.50	23.25

47.	Pudukkottai	Manamel kudi(B)	New Health Sub Centre Building with bore well in Mumbalai	1	46.50	23.25
48.	Pudukkottai	Manamel kudi(B)	New Health Sub Centre Building with bore well in Manamelkudi	1	46.50	23.25
49.	Pudukkottai	Manamel kudi(B)	New Health Sub Centre Building with bore well in Ammapattinam	1	46.50	23.25
50.	Pudukkottai	Manamel kudi(B)	New Health Sub Centre Building with bore well in Vitchoor	1	46.50	23.25
51.	Pudukkottai	Manamel kudi(B)	New Health Sub Centre Building with bore well in Kottaipattinam	1	46.50	23.25
52.	Pudukkottai	Manamel kudi(B)	New Health Sub Centre Building with bore well in Jegathapattinam	1	46.50	23.25
53.	Pudukkottai	Manamel kudi(B)	New Health Sub Centre Building with bore well in Ambavayal	1	46.50	23.25
54.	Pudukkottai	Manamel kudi(B)	New Health Sub Centre Building with bore well in Nelveli	1	46.50	23.25
55.	Pudukkottai	Manamel kudi(B)	New Health Sub Centre Building with Bore well in Ambalavanenthal	1	46.50	23.25
56.	Pudukkottai	Manamel kudi(B)	Common Service Center	1	140.00	70.00
57.	Tirunelveli	Tiru-nelveli Corporation	Construction of community Hall at jinnahThidal park Site in ward No. 37	1	140.00	70.00
58.	Tenkasi	Tenkasi (M)	Construction of Health care Centre at Kizhapuliyur Maternity Centre in Ward No. 31	1	50.00	25.00
59.	Vellore	Pernambut	Out Patient Block in Govt. Hospital at Pernambut	1	758.58	379.29
60.	Vellore	Pernambut	Improvement of Primary health Centre, Melpatti, Pernambut	1	223.75	111.87
61.	Ranipet	Melvisharam	Additional Building for up gradation of P.H.C as 30 Bedded Hospital at Melvisharam	1	223.75	111.87
Total				61	4268.79	2134.39

During the year 2021-2022, approval has been accorded for implementing 62 projects in 10 districts of Tamil Nadu at an estimated cost of Rs.61,575.41 lakh in which Central Share & State Share of Rs.307,03,70,800/- has been released as 1st installment for the projects.

The details are as follows:

(Rs. in Lakh)

SL. No.	District	Name of the Blocks / Town	Name of the Project	No. of Units	Estimated cost	First instalment released by GoI & state
1.	Coimbatore	Kurichi	Construction of class rooms in Corporation Middle School, Noyyal Palam, NP Ittery Street.	1	65.50	32.75
2.	Coimbatore	Kuniamuthur	Providing 2 Lab in Government Higher Secondary School, Kulathupalayam. (Kuniamuthur)	1	28.00	14.00
3.	Kanniyakumari	Nagercoil	Construction of Multipurpose Hall at Vattavilai	1	140.00	42.00
4.	Kanniyakumari	Nagercoil	Construction of Skill Training Centre in Government ,ITI at Konam, Nagercoil (M) at Kanniyakumari District	1	240.00	120.00
5.	Karur	Pallapatti	Construction of Community Hall S.F.No: 820 / 3A, 819 / 5 at Metro Garden	1	140.00	42.00
6.	Nilgiris	Gudalur	Modernised HSC Building with compound wall and well at Athipalli	1	7.00	3.50
7.	Nilgiris	Gudalur	Modernised HSC Building with compound wall and well at Gudalur	1	7.00	3.50
8.	Nilgiris	Gudalur	Modernised HSC Building with compound wall and well at Cherangode	1	7.00	3.50

9.	Nilgiris	Gudalur	Modernised Health Sub Centre Building with compound wall and well at Kariyasholai	1	7.00	3.50
10.	Tenkasi	Tenkasi	Construction of Maternity Centre and Paediatric Block at Govt. General Hospital, Tenkasi	1	2200.00	1100.00
11.	Tenkasi	Tenkasi	Construction of Urban Health Centre at Melakadayanallur	1	50.00	25.00
12.	Tenkasi	Tenkasi	Construction of Siddha cum yoga consulting & Training Centre at Govt. General Hospital, Tenkasi	1	50.00	25.00
13.	Tenkasi	Tenkasi	Construction of Six Anganwadi Centres	1	45.00	22.50
14.	Tenkasi	Tenkasi	Construction of Anganwadi Centres at Ward No.33 Mallampattai Road, Ward No.6 Vadakkuvilai Street, Ward No.9 Railway Feeder Road, Ward No.26 Mallampatti Road and Ward No.7 Jawahar Street	1	37.50	18.75
15.	Thoothukudi	Thoothukudi	Construction of Super Specialty Blocks in Government Medical College Hospital at Thoothukudi in Thoothukudi District.	1	13635.07	6817.54.
16.	Thoothukudi	Thoothukudi	i)Construction of Maternity and Child Health and Accident Emergency care Unit Buildings in Government Hospital at Tiruchendur, in Thoothukudi District (2408.00) ii) Equipments(409.57)	1	3852.76	1926.38

17.	Thoothukudi	Kayalpattanam	i)Construction of Out Patient Block and Special ward Buildings in Government Hospital at Kayalpattinam in Thoothukudi District.(1896.00) ii)Equipments(300.49)	1	6235.49	3117.75
18.	Tirunelveli	Tirunelveli (M.C)	Construction of Hospital Block for Enhanced Care for Cardiac, Neural, Renal and Liver Disadvantaged Population in Tirunelveli Medical College at Tirunelveli	1	7210.00	3605.00
19.	Tirunelveli	Tirunelveli (M.C)	Construction of Maternal and Child care Unit,NCD Block and Dialysis Unit in Government Hospital at Melapalayam in Tirunelveli	1	583.02	291.51
20.	Vellore	Pernambut Municipality	Construction of Urban PHC at Pernambut in Vellore District	1	108.90	54.45
21.	Vellore	Vellore Corporation	Construction of Multi Super Specialty Hospital building in Government Pent land Hospital at Vellore in Vellore District	1	19781.00	9890.50
22.	Pudukottai	Manamalkudi	Construction of Ayush Wing, Multipurpose Hall, Sanitation Block and Medical Equipments in Singavanam PHC	1	96.00	48.00
23.	Pudukottai	Manamalkudi	Construction of Library Hall in Government Boys Hr.Sec. School in Manalmelkudi	1	97.87	48.94
24.	Pudukottai	Manamalkudi	Construction of Library Hall in Government Boys Hr.Sec. School in Kottaipattinam	1	97.87	48.94

25.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of Library Hall in Government High School in Krishnajibattinam	1	97.87	48.94
26.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of Library Hall in Government Boys Hr.Sec. School in Kattumavadi	1	97.87	48.94
27.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of Science Lab in Government Boys Hr.Sec. School in Manamelkudi	1	47.23	23.61
28.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of Science Lab in Government Boys Hr.Sec. School in Kottaipattinam	1	47.23	23.61
29.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of Science Lab in Krishnajibattinam	1	47.23	23.61
30.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of Science Lab in Kattumavadi	1	47.23	23.61
31.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of Science Lab in Government Boys Hr.Sec. School in Ammapattinam	1	47.23	23.61
32.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of Community Hall @ Kattumavadi in Kattumavadi Panchayat	1	140.00	42.00
33.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of New Anganwadi Building @ Kottaipattinam Meenavar Colony in Kottaipattinam Panchayat	1	7.50	3.75
34.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of New Anganwadi Building @ Pathakadu in Manamelkudi Panchayat	1	7.50	3.75
35.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of New Anganwadi Building @ Puthukudi in Kottaipattinam Panchayat	1	7.50	3.75
36.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of New Anganwadi Building @ Aathipattinam in Ammapattinam Panchayat	1	7.50	3.75

37.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of New Anganwadi Building @ Ayyampattinam in kelamanchakudi Panchayat	1	7.50	3.75
38.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of New Anganwadi Building @ LanchiyadiMariyammanKovil in Kelamanchakudi Panchayat	1	7.50	3.75
39.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of New Anganwadi Building @ Palakudi in Vettivayal Panchayat	1	7.50	3.75
40.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of New Anganwadi Building @ Tajmahal (Sathamnagar) in Kottaipattinam Panchayat	1	7.50	3.75
41.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of New Angawadi Building @ AmmapattinamPaththar Street in Ammapattinam Panchayat	1	7.50	3.75
42.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of New Anganwadi Building @ Ammapattinam South in Ammapattinam Panchayat	1	7.50	3.75
43.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of New Anganwadi Building @ Ammapattinam Middle Street in Ammapattinam Panchayat	1	7.50	3.75
44.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of New Anganwadi Building @ Karkkamalam in Manaloor Panchayat	1	7.50	3.75
45.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of New Anganwadi Building @ AlaganVayal in Kattumavadi Panchayat	1	7.50	3.75
46.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of New Anganwadi Building @ Edaiyathur in Edaiyathur Panchayat	1	7.50	3.75

47.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of New Anganwadi Building @ Katumavadi Muslim Street in Katumavadi Panchayat	1	7.50	3.75
48.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of New Anganwadi Building @ Vethiyankudi in Edaiyathur Panchayat	1	7.50	3.75
49.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of New Anganwadi Building @ Neervelangulam in Edaiyathur Panchayat	1	7.50	3.75
50.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of New Anganwadi building @ PR Pattinam in Krishanajipattinam Panchayat	1	7.50	3.75
51.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of New Anganwadi Building @ Panavayal in Karakottai Panchayat	1	7.50	3.75
52.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of New Anganwadi Building @ Ammapattinam North in Ammapattinam Panchayat	1	7.50	3.75
53.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of New Anganwadi Building @ Karakathikottai in Karakathikottai Panchayat	1	7.50	3.75
54.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of New Anganwadi Building @ Challanedal in Keelamanjakudi Panchayat	1	7.50	3.75
55.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of New Anganwadi Building @ Seyyanam in Seyyanam Panchayat	1	7.50	3.75
56.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of New Anganwadi Building @ Jagathapattinam (Light House) in Keelamanjakudi Panchayat	1	7.50	3.75

57.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of New Anganwadi Building @ Kattumavadi Muslim Street in Kattumavadi Panchayat	1	7.50	3.75
58.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of Building for District Training Centre for Sewing Machine Operator, Domestic Data Entry Operator, Beauty Therapist, Welding and Quality Technician, Assistant Electrician in Manalmelkudi	1	360.00	180.00
59.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of 1. Maternity and Child Health Wing Building with Furniture 2. Training Centre for Health Staff 3. Sanitation Block 4. Essential Medical Equipments in Ammapattinam PHC	1	469.72	234.86
60.	Pudukottai	Manamel kudi	Construction of Maternity Child Health Wing Building with Furniture, Sanitation Block and Essential Medical Equipments in Kottapattinam PHC	1	469.72	234.86
61.	Tirupattur	Ambur	Construction of OP block and ICU Male Ward, Female Ward, Lab, Scan, Pharmacy and X-ray Room in Government Hospital at Ambur, Tirupattur District	1	2430.60	1215.30
62.	Tirupattur	Vaniyambadi	Construction of OP block and ICU Male Ward, Female Ward, Lab, Scan, Pharmacy and X-ray Room in Government Hospital at Vaniyambadi, Tirupattur District	1	2364.00	1182.00
Total				62	61,575.41	30703.71

The project estimates for 351 civil works received from 13 districts for the year 2023-24 was placed in the State Level Review Meeting held under the Chairmanship of Chief Secretary on 14.03.2024. After deliberate discussion with all committee members 280 projects at an estimated cost of Rs.67458.25 lakh has been approved and submitted to Government of India to place in the Empowerment Committee.

35. TAMIL NADU MINORITIES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (TAMCO)

The Tamil Nadu Minorities Economic Development Corporation (TAMCO) was established on 31.8.1999 as a Company under the Companies Act 1956 for the benefit of Minorities viz. Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists, Parsis and Jains in Tamil Nadu. The objective of TAMCO is to provide loan at lower rate of interest to Minorities for Self Employment and income generation activities. The authorized share capital of this Corporation is Rs.5.00 crore and a paid up share capital of Rs.2.05 crore. TAMCO is acting as State Channelizing Agency of National Minorities Development and Finance Corporation (NMDFC), New Delhi. TAMCO is lending Term Loan, Virasat loan, Micro Credit Loan & Education Loan schemes for economic advancement of Minorities. The Corporation obtain loan from NMDFC upon guarantee given by State Government for funding various loan schemes of NMDFC.

The Co-operative Banks are acting as Sub Channelizing Agencies of TAMCO viz., District Central Co-operative Bank, Co-operative Urban Bank / Primary Agricultural Co-operative Credit Society for the purpose of effective implementation of Loan Schemes.

The funding pattern of Term Loan, Virasat Loan, Micro Financing and Educational loan are as follows:

NMDFC Share :	90%
TAMCO Share:	5%
Beneficiary Share:	5%

The details of the schemes which are being implemented through this Corporation are as follows.

35.1.INDIVIDUAL TERM LOAN

With a view to promote employment generation Individual term loans are provided by Tamil Nadu Minorities Economic Development Corporation for economically poorer section of Minorities for carrying out business/trade as detailed below.

SI.No	Loan Amount	Interest Rate (per annum)	Annual Income Ceiling
1	Credit line I Scheme Upto Rs.20.00 Lakhs	6%	Rural Areas Rs.98,000 Urban Areas Rs.1.20 lakh
2	Credit line II Scheme Upto Rs.30.00 Lakhs	Male 8% Female 6%	Persons who cannot avail benefit under credit line-I and having annual income upto Rs.8 lakh (For both Rural and Urban Areas)

During the year 2023-24 loan amount of Rs.2491.89 Lakh has been disbursed to 3606 beneficiaries under this scheme.

35.2. VIRASAT Scheme

VIRASAT - A credit scheme for craft person as a component of Term loan has been launched with the objective to meet credit requirement of the artisan towards capital investment for purchase of equipment/tools/machineries. The details of the scheme are as follows:

SI.No	Loan Amount	Interest Rate (per annum)	Annual Income Ceiling
1	Credit line I Upto Rs.10.00 Lakhs	5% for Male 4% for Female	Rural Areas Rs.98,000 Urban Areas Rs.1.20 lakh
2	Credit line II Scheme Upto Rs.10.00 Lakhs	6% for male 5% for Female	Persons who cannot avail benefit under credit line-I and having annual income upto Rs.8,00,000/- (For both Rural and Urban Areas)

During the year 2023-24 loan amount of Rs.17.15 Lakh has been disbursed to 19 beneficiaries under this scheme.

35.3. MICRO-FINANCE SCHEME LOAN:

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, footwear, Tiffin shop, textile business, manufacturing of pickles, snacks, appalam, basket weaving etc., as detailed below.

Sl.No	Loan Amount	Interest Rate (per annum)	Annual Income Ceiling
1	Credit line I Scheme Upto Rs1 Lakhs (per member of SHG)	7%	Rural Areas Rs.98,000 Urban Areas Rs.1.20 lakh
2	Credit line II Scheme Upto Rs.1.50 Lakhs (per member of SHG)	Male 10% Female 8%	Persons who cannot avail benefit under credit line-I and having annual income upto Rs.8 lakh (For both Rural and Urban Areas)

Under this scheme Rs.4343.26 lakh has been disbursed to 6570 beneficiaries through Self Help Groups during the year 2023-24.

35.4. EDUCATIONAL LOAN SCHEME:

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

SI.No	Loan Amount	Interest Rate (per annum)	Parental Annual Income Ceiling
1	Credit line I Scheme Upto Rs.20 Lakh for courses in India with a maximum duration of 5 years @ Rs.4 lakhs per annum. Upto Rs.30 lakh for Courses Abroad with a maximum duration of 5 years @ Rs.6 lakhs per annum.	3%	Rural Areas Rs.98,000 Urban Areas Rs.1.20 lakh
2	Credit line II Scheme Upto Rs.20 Lakh for courses in India with a maximum duration of 5 years	Male 8% Female 5%	Persons who cannot avail benefit under credit line-I and having annual income upto Rs.8

	@ Rs.4 lakhs per annum. Upto Rs.30lakh for Courses Abroad with a maximum duration of 5 years @ Rs.6 lakhs per annum.		lakh (For both Rural and Urban Areas)
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Under this scheme Rs.5.91 lakh has been disbursed to 6 student during the year 2023-24.

During the year 2023-24 a total loan amount of Rs.6858.21 lakh has been disbursed to 10201 beneficiaries by this Corporation.

DETAILS OF DISBURSEMENT OF LOANS TO MINORITY BENEFICIARIES THROUGH TAMCO

Rs. in lakhs

Year	No of Beneficiaries	Amount
2018-19	7708	4019.97
2019-20	7139	3685.48
2020-21	6910	4185.68
2021-22	6034	3618.29
2022-23	8785	5528.06
2023-24	10201	6858.21

36. TAMIL NADU LINGUISTIC MINORITIES SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (TALMEDCO)

Government have formed of Tamil Nadu Linguistic Minorities Social and Economic Development Corporation (TALMEDCO) in the year 2021, for the socio-economic development of Linguistic Minorities in Tamil Nadu to provide them better access to various schemes and promote their interests. The authorised capital of the Corporation is Rs.900 lakhs.

Under Clause (d) of section 2 of the Tamil Nadu State Minorities Commission Act 2010 (Tamil Nadu Act 21 of 2010) Government has notified that the persons belonging to the Minority communities who are natives of Tamil Nadu and having viz Telugu, Urdu , Kannada , Malayalam Sourastra and Marathi as their mother tongue as "Linguistic Minorities".

Government have accorded financial sanction for paid up share capital of Rs.500 lakhs, seed fund Rs.1,000 lakhs and a sum of Rs.109.20 lakh for salaries and other administrative expenses totalling to Rs.1,609.20 lakhs.

37. TAMIL NADU STATE MINORITIES COMMISSION

The State Minorities Commission, Tamil Nadu was constituted by the State Government in the year 1989 for safeguarding the rights and interests of both Religious and Linguistic Minorities. The State Minorities Commission has been conferred with Statutory Powers as per Tamil Nadu State Minorities Commission Act 2010 (Act 21/2010) with effect from 1.8.2010.

The present Commission was reconstituted as per G.O (Ms) No.39, Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Minorities Welfare Department, dated:28.06.2021 and G.O (Ms) No.41, Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Minorities Welfare Department, dated:06.07.2021 for a period of 3 years with the following Chairman, Vice Chairman and 8 Members namely:-

37.1 MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION :-

1.	THIRU.S.PETER ALPHONSE.	CHAIRMAN
2.	Thiru.M.M.ABDUL KHUDDHUS.	MEMBER / VICE CHAIRMAN
3.	THIRU.V.SAMPATH. I.A.S.,	MEMBER SECRETARY
4.	THIRU.A.B.THAMEEM ANSARI.	MEMBER
5.	THIRU. HARBHAJAN SING SURI.	MEMBER
6.	THIRU.MANJIT SINGH NAYAR	MEMBER
7.	THIRU. PRAVEEN KUMAR TATIA.	MEMBER
8.	THIRU.P.PYARELAL JAIN.	MEMBER
9.	Dr.L. DON BOSCO.	MEMBER
10.	Rev.Bro. Dr.M.IRUDAYAM.	MEMBER
11.	THIRU BIKKU MOURIYAR BUDDHA.	MEMBER

37.2 FUNCTIONS OF THE COMMISSION:-

- i. To examine and evaluate the various safeguards provided in the Constitution of India and laws passed by the State Legislature for the protection of Minorities.
- ii. To make recommendation with a view to ensuring effective implementation and enforcement of such safeguards and laws.
- iii. To undertake a review of the implementation of the policies and schemes of the Government for the Welfare of Minorities of the State.
- iv. To conduct studies, research and analysis and suggest ways and means of avoidance of discrimination against Minorities of the State Government.
- v. To suggest appropriate legal and welfare measures in respect of any minority to be undertaken by the Government.
- vi. To make recommendations for ensuring, maintaining and promoting communal harmony in the State.
- vii. To send periodical reports to the Government.

37.3 ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMISSION

The State Minorities Commission receives representation from the Members of the Minority Communities and Minority Institutions. They call petitioners to hear the problems and get reports from the Government Departments on the issues and genuine grievances raised by them. The Commission also visits various Districts in the State to study the problems of the Minorities and if necessary, recommend suitable measures to the Government for ensuing effective implementation of the schemes for the welfare of Minorities.

As per the announcement made in the year 2023-24, the Commission conducted speech competitions in Tamil and English languages for the students studying in all the colleges in 38 districts and selected 228 students who secured the top three positions at the district level and 6 students who secured the top three positions at the state level were awarded prizes by the Hon'ble Chief Minister on 23.08.2023.

38. TAMIL NADU WAQF BOARD

The Waqf Act 1954 came into force in Tamil Nadu on 15.01.1955 and the Tamil Nadu Waqf Board was constituted on 18.01.1958. The Board is constituted once in 5 years as per Waqf Act, 1995 (Central Act 43/1995) and the present Board is functioning with 11 Members. Thiru.M.Abdul Rahman was elected as Hon'ble Chairman of the Board by the Members of the Tamil Nadu Waqf Board on 22.07.2021. The Tamil Nadu Waqf Board having its head office at Chennai is functioning with 11 zonal offices.

38.1. Survey of Waqf properties

Under section 4 of the Waqf Act 1995, the Government have appointed the Commissioner of Survey as Survey Commissioner of Auqaf for the purpose of survey of the Auqaf existing in the State. District Revenue Officers were appointed as Additional Survey Commissioners of Auqaf and Tahsildars in the State have been designated as Assistant Commissioner of Auqaf.

The District-wise extract of Proforma Reports as already prepared by the then Assistant Commissioner of Survey under section 4 of Waqf Act, 1954 handed over to all the District Revenue Officers in the State. As per the details submitted, the survey of Waqf properties is in progress. The Survey Commissioner reports received in respect of the districts have been correlated with Tamil Nadu Waqf Board properties.

In order to survey waqf properties in Tamil Nadu through modern survey instruments using DGPS Rover Instruments, the Director of Survey and Settlement has been addressed to provide adequate number of DGPS Rover Instruments to Tamil Nadu Waqf Board. Further a list of 30 Licensed Surveyors has been provided by the Director of Survey and Settlement and they are appointed to conduct the survey of waqf properties.

38.2. Waqf Tribunal

As per section 83 of the Waqf Act, 1995 for determination of any disputes relating to Waqf or Waqf properties, the Government of Tamil Nadu constituted Tamil Nadu Waqf Tribunal in the year 2018 at Chennai.

The Tribunal consists of a District Judge as Chairman, an officer from the State Civil Services equivalent in rank to that of the Additional District Magistrate as one Member and one person having knowledge of Muslim Law and Jurisprudence as another Member. The details of the cases at the Tribunal are as follows:-

Cases pending as on 31.03.2023	Cases registered during 2023-2024	Total	Cases disposed during 2023-2024	Pending as on 31.3.2024
1690	854	2544	1204	1340

38.3. Auqaf under Direct Management of Tamil Nadu Waqf Board

Some of the auqaf are taken under direct management of Tamil Nadu Waqf Board under section 65 of the Waqf Act, 1995 following mismanagement and other administrative reasons and Executive Officers are being appointed to administer the auqaf under direct management. There are 48 Waqf Institutions under direct management of Tamil Nadu Waqf Board. The administrative charges are being collected from the said auqaf under section 45 (7) of Waqf Act 1995.

38.4. Retrieval of Waqf Properties from Encroachments

Action is being taken for retrieval of waqf properties under section 54 of the Waqf Act, 1995. The Board has provided a list of waqf properties to prevent illegal registration of waqf properties to all the sub registrars offices under section 22 (A) of Registration Act 1908.

38.5. Administrative Grant Sanctioned to Tamil Nadu Waqf Board

The State Government sanctions Administrative Grant of Rs.2.5 Crores to Tamil Nadu Waqf Board every year. Orders were issued for sanction of incentive at the rate of 5% as additional administrative grant based on the contribution collected by the Tamil Nadu Waqf Board from the year 2022-2023 onwards and sanctioned a grant of Rs.2,63,52,987/- for the year 2023-2024.

38.6. Maintenance to Divorced Muslim Women

The maintenance amount is being paid to 5 divorced Muslim Women by the Tamil Nadu Waqf Board under section 77 (4)(g) of the Waqf Act 1995 as per the orders of the Hon'ble Court under the Muslim Women (Protection of Rights on Divorce) Act 1986 as per the orders of the Court.

38.7. Government Schemes implemented by Tamil Nadu Waqf Board

(i) 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 Ulema Pension.

Under the scheme those who have attained 60 years of age and completed 20 years of service and 40 years of age 10 years of service for differently abled are eligible for the pension. Ulema Pension was periodically enhanced and at present the Ulema Pension of Rs.3,000/- per month is being paid to the Ulemas. The Ulema Pension Sanction Committee under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister for Minorities Welfare is the sanctioning authority for payment of Ulema Pension. 1461 ulemas are getting pensions in the said scheme.

(ii).Ulema Family Pension Scheme

Sanction is accorded as 50% of the Ulema Pension last drawn to the legal heir of the deceased as Ulema Family Pension. So far, 19 Ulema Family Pensions have been sanctioned.

(iii). Major Repair and Renovation Grant

Annually, the Government sanctions a grant for renovation and repair of Mosques, Dargahs and other waqf institutions as Major Renovation Grant. This grant has been enhanced to Rs.10 Crores for the year 2023-2024 and 134 waqf institutions were benefited. Further the Government has also announced Rs.10 crore for the year 2024-2025.

(iv). Corpus fund for repair and renovation of Waqf Institutions

A corpus fund of Rs.3 Crores has been created to carry out minor repair and renovation work in Waqf Institutions like Mosques and Dargahs. The interest accrued on this fund will be utilized by Tamil Nadu Waqf Board for sanctioning to the needy and eligible Waqf Institutions.

(v). Honorarium to Kazis

The Government of Tamil Nadu has ordered to pay honorarium of Rs,20,000/- per month to Kazis working in the Tamil Nadu. A sum of Rs.67.84 lakhs has been allotted to 32 Kazis for the year 2023-2024.

39. TAMIL NADU STATE HAJ COMMITTEE

The Tamil Nadu State Hajj Committee was constituted in 1958. After the enactment of the Haj Committee Act, 2002, (Central Act No.35 of 2002), the State Government is constituted the Tamil Nadu State Hajj Committee 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, Mumbai and Ministry of Minority Affairs, New Delhi.

The Government in the year 2023 reconstituted the Tamil Nadu State Hajj Committee with 16 members which includes Secretary and Executive Officer as Ex-officio Member.

The Government of Tamil Nadu have been sanctioning grants to Tamil Nadu State Hajj Committee for various purposes such as grant for meeting out administrative expenditure, grants for meeting the expenditure on deputation of Haj volunteers to Saudi Arabia, grants for state Haj subsidy and grants for purchase of machinery and equipments.

The details of grants sanctioned during 2023-2024 are as follows:-

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| (i) Administrative grant | - ₹50.00 lakh |
| (ii) Grant for purchasing a Digital copier (duplicator Machine) for Tamil Nadu State Hajj Committee. | - ₹ 1.54 lakh |
| (iii) Grant for deputation of Haj volunteers | - ₹20.17 lakh |

39.1. State Government Haj Subsidy

The scheme of providing subsidy to the pilgrims of Tamil Nadu who are performing Haj pilgrimage through Tamil Nadu State Hajj Committee for the first time is implemented by the Government from 2018 onwards. Haj subsidy for the scheme has been increased from Rs.6 crore to Rs.10 crore from the year 2021 onwards. For 2023, the Government sanctioned Haj subsidy to Tamil Nadu State Hajj Committee for disbursement to 3987 pilgrims @ Rs.25,070 per pilgrim through their bank account. For haj 2024, haj subsidy to 5728 pilgrims are being credited into their bank account.

For the year 2024-2025 a sum of Rs.10 crore has been allotted to this scheme.

The other sources of income to the Committee are sanction of handling charges at Rs.225 per pilgrim and sanction of expenditure on making supporting arrangements etc., for operation of Haj flights at Rs.300 per pilgrim by the Haj Committee of India, Mumbai from 2024 onwards. The Committee also receives voluntary contributions from the pilgrims.

The Annual Accounts of the Tamil Nadu State Hajj Committee are closed as on 31st March of every year. The accounts are duly audited and certified by Chartered Accountant approved by Government for Tamil Nadu State Hajj Committee.
