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**INTRODUCTION**

The Government of Tamil Nadu is relentlessly marching in the path of social justice devised by Thanthai Periyar, Perarignar Anna and Muthamizh Aringnar Kalaignar. This Government has dedicated itself for the advancement of Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities and implementing various welfare programmes with an objective to uplift social, educational and economic status of these peoples. Apart from the Directorates of Backward Classes and Most Backward Classes/Denotified Communities, the Government have established a

separate Directorate for the implementation of welfare schemes to the Minorities in the year 2007.

Education is the best tool to bring social and economic changes in the society. According to Ayyan Thiruvalluvar "Education is an imperishable precious wealth to an individual". This Government being well aware of the above undeniable fact is paying focused attention towards educational advancement of Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities by providing major share for education in the budget allocation of this Department. For their Economic development, loans are provided through Tamil Nadu Backward Classes Economic Development Corporation for establishing trade or business. Further sewing machines and iron boxes are provided free of cost. Welfare assistances are provided to the registered members of Denotified Communities

welfare Board and Tamil Nadu Narikuravar Welfare Board.

The Reservation policy of the Government over the years has paid handsome dividends in substantially improving the social, economic and educational advancement of the Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities enabling them to get admission into the higher educational institutions and to secure employment in Government services.

This department is striving to achieve the Global Sustainable Development Goals as spelt out by United Nations General Assembly in 2015.

## **2. RESERVATION**

The reservation policy enforced in the state from 1921 had undergone many beneficial changes in fulfillment of the demands made by various sections of the society from time to time. When the Constitution of India came into force,

the order providing for reservation to various communities known as communal Government order of the state was struck down by Supreme Court of India in 1951 as unconstitutional. The mass processions of protest and agitational meetings spearheaded by Thanthai Periyar in Tamil Nadu paved the way for effecting the first amendment to the Constitution by introducing Article 15(4) in the Constitution. This is hailed as a historical achievement in the struggle for Social Justice and in advancing the cause of social, educational and economic conditions of the Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities who were hitherto suffering from the injustice heaped upon them over several centuries.

More than 88% of the state's population belongs to Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes, Denotified Communities, Scheduled caste and Scheduled Tribes. The quantum of reservation was increased at different times and the existing

69% reservation has been under implementation in the State since 1990.

The Government after considering the recommendation obtained from Tamil Nadu Backward Classes Commission on the various representations received from minority communities to provide for separate reservation, enacted the law providing 3.5% reservation to Backward Classes Muslim from out of the 30% reservation provided to the Backward Classes. This law is being implemented since 15.9.2007.

Insofar as educational institutions are concerned the policy of 69% reservation was implemented only in Government and Government aided institutions. This Government had changed the scenario and enacted a legislation on 31.5.2006 to implement the policy of reservation even in the private educational institutions excluding minority institutions.



The details of reservation followed in Tamil Nadu is as follows:

<b>Sl. No</b>	<b>Sections</b>	<b>Percentage of Reservation</b>
1.	Backward Classes	26.5
2.	Backward Classes Muslims	3.5
3.	Most Backward Classes/ Denotified Communities *Part I Vanniakula Kshatiriya - 10.5%, Part II Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities - 7 %, Part III Most Backward Classes - 2.5%)	20*
4.	Scheduled Castes	18
5.	Scheduled Tribes	1
	<b>Total</b>	<b>69</b>

The Hon'ble Supreme Court in the year 1992 in Indra Sawhney case (Mandal case) had ordered that the percentage of reservation should

not exceed 50%. In order to continue the 69% reservation followed in the State, Government of Tamil Nadu enacted Tamil Nadu Act 45/1994. Later the act was included in the Ninth Schedule to the Constitution to get protection under Article 31-B of the Constitution.

This Government is committed to implement and protect the 69% reservation in educational institutions and appointments to the services followed in the state.

This Government is always opposed to the concept of exclusion of creamy layer by Government of India while providing reservation to Other Backward Classes and the Government is urging the Union Government to take all necessary steps to ensure that social backwardness should be the sole criterion for reservation, so that everyone belonging to the backward communities is able to enjoy the benefits of reservation, in the services of

Government of India and admission in Government of India's educational institutions, irrespective of economic status (creamy layer), as articulated by Thanthai periyar, Perarignar Anna, Pandit Nehru and Dr. Ambedkar.

Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar played a key role in the enactment of a Central law in 2006 providing 27% reservation for Other Backward Classes in admission into the educational institutions including higher educational institutions under the control of Government of India.

It is considered that Government of India is not fully implementing the 27% reservation to Other Backward Classes in Government of India's higher institutes of learnings. This Government will continuously impress upon the Government of India to implement 27% reservation to OBC's in all central educational institutions including higher institutes of learning such as IIT,IIM, AIIMS, etc.

The Constitution of India provides for reservation of appointments or posts in the services under the state and seats in educational institutions. The quantum of reservation provided by the States differ from State to State depending upon the proportion of Backward Classes, Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes population of the States. Hence Government of Tamil Nadu will continuously urge the Government of India to bring an amendment to the Constitution of India to empower the States to fix the quantum of reservation, based on their needs.

Reservation is provided in appointments or post in the services under the State. There is no such provision in the Constitution to provide reservation in private sector. With employment opportunities increasing in private sector, and in order to encourage growth of private sector, the

Government is also providing various incentives like tax concessions. In order to ensure these benefits reaches Backward Classes, Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, it is felt that reservation in private sector is essential. The objective of reservation in private sectors can be realized only by bringing an suitable amendment to the Constitution of India. Hence this Government will urge Government of India to bring necessary Constitutional amendment to achieve this goal.

Tamil Nadu Government will urge Government of India to take up the complete caste wise census together with the National census, to fulfil the long standing demand of various communities.

In view of the continuous efforts of the Hon'ble Chief Minister and by seeking legal remedies in the Hon'ble High Court and Supreme

Court, the Union Government has decided to grant 27% reservation for Other Backward Classes (OBCs) in the All India Quota for under graduate and post graduate medical courses from the current academic year.

### **3. EDUCATION**

The progress of any society is determined by its educational advancement and only education reflects the social background and outlook of the community. The Government is committed to achieve the gender equality by creating a conducive environment for women's education, particularly the rural girls by providing cash incentives. Hostel accommodation and boarding facilities are provided to the economically backward students of these classes. In order to encourage these students to continue their studies without interruption various scholarship schemes are implemented by the

Government. Bicycles are supplied to students studying 11<sup>th</sup> standard in Government, Government aided and partially aided schools. Free text books and uniforms are also supplied to the students by the Government. For the educational advancement of Piramalai Kallar Community students, this Department is running 295 Kallar Reclamation Schools in the Districts of Madurai, Theni and Dindigul, where the community is predominantly present.

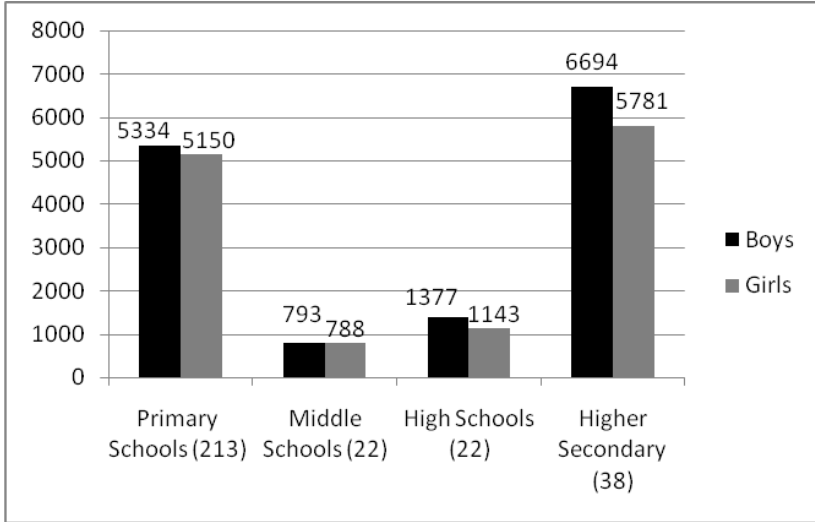
#### **4. KALLAR RECLAMATION SCHOOLS**

Educational development is the key for social advancement of a society. For the educational upliftment of Piramalai Kallars, 295 Kallar Reclamation schools are functioning in Madurai, Theni and Dindigul districts where they predominantly live. 27,060 students are studying in these schools.

<b>Number of students in Kallar Reclamation schools</b>					
<b>Sl. No</b>	<b>Details of Schools</b>	<b>No. of Schools</b>	<b>Students Strength</b>		
			<b>Boys</b>	<b>Girls</b>	<b>Total</b>
1.	Primary schools including KG schools	213	5334	5150	10484
2.	Middle Schools	22	793	788	1581
3.	High Schools	22	1377	1143	2520
4.	Higher Secondary Schools	38	6694	5781	12475
	<b>Total</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>14198</b>	<b>12862</b>	<b>27060</b>



## Number of Students in Kallar Reclamation Schools



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

Smart classroom facilities are provided in Kallar Reclamation High/Higher secondary schools. Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities girls students of Kallar Reclamation Schools of rural areas are given incentive at the rate of Rs.500 per annum for students studying in 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> standard and Rs.1000 per annum for students studying in 6<sup>th</sup> standard.

Lower Kinder Garden English medium classes were started and functioning in 15 Kallar Reclamation Primary Schools in Madurai, Theni and Dindigul districts at the rate of 5 schools in each district. Similarly, English medium classes were started and functioning from 6<sup>th</sup> standard in 15 Kallar Reclamation Higher Secondary Schools. 1,318 students are studying in English medium classes.

During the year 2020-2021, a sum of Rs.12169.78 lakh was spent for the administration of Kallar Reclamation schools.

A sum of Rs.12331.82 lakh has been provided for the year 2021-2022.

#### **4.1 Maintenance of Kallar Reclamation School Buildings**

A sum of Rs.1 crore is allotted every year to carry out maintenance and repair works in Kallar Reclamation School Buildings. During the year 2020-2021 additional funds have been sanctioned and maintenance works carried out in 186 Kallar reclamation schools at an estimated cost of Rs.5 crore.

A sum of Rs.1 crore has been allotted for the maintenance of Kallar Reclamation school buildings for the year 2021-2022.

#### **4.2 Prize Scheme for the Headmasters / Teachers of Kallar Reclamation Schools**

In order to encourage Headmasters / Teachers of Kallar Reclamation schools prizes are awarded to them. Cash prize of Rs.10,000 and Certificate of Appreciation is awarded to the

Headmasters of Kallar reclamation high / higher secondary schools who ensures pass percentage of 95% and above in 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> standard Public Examinations.

Cash prize of Rs.5,000 is awarded to PG / B.T Teachers of Kallar Reclamation Schools, who achieve 100% result in their subject in 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Standard Public Examinations.

During the year 2020-2021 a sum of Rs.13.45 lakh was spent for awarding prizes to teachers and head masters.

A sum of Rs.31 lakh has been provided for the year 2021-2022 for this scheme.

## **5. EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP SCHEMES**

Education is very much essential for the Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities students to advance in their life. Hence, the Government implements three Scholarship schemes viz., Pre-matric, Post-

matric and Free Education to enable the poor students of Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities to continue their education without interruption. The parental income ceiling for availing these scholarships is Rs. 2 lakh per annum.

### **5.1 Pre-Matric scholarship**

Pre-matric scholarship scheme is implemented for Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities students. Under the scheme, examination fee for the Backward Classes students studying in 10<sup>th</sup> standard in English medium in Government and Government aided schools, is reimbursed. This is subject to the condition that their annual parental income should not exceed Rs. 2 lakh. For Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities examination fee is reimbursed without any condition. (The Government has waived the payment of tuition fee and special fee to students studying in Tamil

and English medium in Government and Government aided schools. The examination fee for 10<sup>th</sup> standard Tamil medium students has also been waived. Hence the students need not pay these fees)

During the year 2020-2021 a sum of Rs.133.66 lakh has been spent for the benefit of 1,16,296 students. The details are as follows:-

<b>Category</b>	<b>Number of Students</b>	<b>Amount Spent (Rs. in lakh)</b>
BC	71024	81.68
MBC/DNC	45272	52.00
Total	116296	133.68

A sum of Rs. 103 lakh for Backward Classes Welfare Department and Rs. 86.97 lakh for Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities Welfare Department, totaling Rs. 189.97 lakh has been provided for the year 2021-2022.

## **5.2 Post-Matric Scholarship**

Under Post-matric scholarship scheme, examination fee for the Backward Classes students studying in 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> standards in English medium in Government and Government aided schools are being reimbursed. This is subject to the condition that their annual parental income should not exceed Rs.2 lakh. For Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities students examination fee is reimbursed without any condition. (The Government has waived the payment of tuition fee and special fee to the students studying in Tamil and English medium in Government and Government aided schools. The examination fee for 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> standard Tamil medium students has also been waived. Hence the students need not pay these fees)

### **5.2.1 Scholarship to College Students**

Under Post matric scholarship scheme, scholarships are sanctioned to Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities students studying ITI, Diploma in Polytechnics, Post Graduate, Professional and Ph.D. courses. Annual parental income should not exceed Rs. 2 lakh to avail this scholarship. Under the scheme, tuition fee and special fee are sanctioned as fixed for the Government educational institutions. Examination fee is sanctioned in full and book money is sanctioned as notified in the scholarship notification. Students studying in the second shift in Government and Government aided colleges are also sanctioned scholarship by applying the same conditions stipulated for students studying in the morning shift. In addition to the scholarship amount, boarding and lodging charges are sanctioned to students who are staying in hostels



attached to educational institutions, at the rate of Rs.175 per month for Under Graduate courses, Rs.350 per month for Professional courses and Rs.225 per month for ITI / Diploma and Post Graduate courses for 10 months in a year.

During the year 2020-2021 a sum of Rs.6,929.06 lakh has been spent for the benefit of 3,14,293 students. The details are as follows.

<b>Category</b>	<b>Total Number of School and College Students</b>	<b>Amount Spent (Rs. in lakh)</b>
BC	2,00,984	4432.18
MBC/DNC	1,13,309	2496.88
Total	3,14,293	6929.06

A sum of Rs.5,450 lakh for Backward Classes Welfare Department and Rs.3,100 lakh for Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities Welfare Department, totaling Rs.8,550 lakh has been provided for the year 2021-2022.

## **6. FREE EDUCATION**

### **6.1 Degree Courses**

Under Free Education scholarship (Degree) scheme, students of Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities studying in three year Degree Courses in Government and Government aided Arts and Science colleges are sanctioned special fee and non-refundable compulsory fee as prescribed by the Government (Tuition fee of students studying in three year Degree Courses in Government and Government aided Arts and Science colleges has been waived). Book money is sanctioned as notified in the scholarship notification and examination fee in full. This scholarship is sanctioned without any condition. In addition to the scholarship amount, boarding and lodging charges at the rate of Rs.175 per month for 10 months in a year are sanctioned to students who

are staying in hostels attached to educational institutions.

During the year 2020-2021 a sum of Rs.3,730.66 lakh has been spent for the benefit of 1,94,268 students. The details are as follows.

<b>Category</b>	<b>Total Number of Students</b>	<b>Amount Spent (Rs. in lakh)</b>
BC	1,05,556	2090.43
MBC/DNC	88,712	1640.23
Total	1,94,268	3730.66

A sum of Rs.2,300 lakh for Backward Classes Welfare Department and Rs.1,800 lakh for Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities Welfare Department, totaling Rs.4,100 lakh has been provided for the year 2021-2022.

## **6.2 Diploma Courses**

Under Free Education scholarship (Diploma) scheme, students of Backward Classes, Most

Backward Classes and Denotified Communities studying Diploma courses in Government and Government aided Polytechnic Colleges are sanctioned tuition fee, special fee and non-refundable compulsory fee as prescribed by the Government. Book money is sanctioned as notified in the scholarship notification and examination fee in full. This is subject to the conditions that the annual parental income should not exceed Rs.2,00,000 and the beneficiary should be the first diploma holder/graduate in the family. In addition to the scholarship amount, boarding and lodging charges at the rate of Rs.225 per month for 10 months in a year are sanctioned to students who are staying in hostels attached to educational institutions.

During the year 2020-2021 a sum of Rs.113.91 lakh has been spent for the benefit of 2,848 students. The details are as follows.

<b>Category</b>	<b>Total Number of Students</b>	<b>Amount Spent (Rs. in lakh)</b>
BC	1573	64.34
MBC/DNC	1275	49.57
Total	2848	113.91

A sum of Rs.93 lakh for Backward Classes Welfare Department and Rs.80 lakh for Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities Welfare Department, totaling Rs.173 lakh has been provided for the year 2021-2022.

### **6.3 Professional Courses**

Under Free Education scholarship (Professional) scheme, students of Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities selected under Government quota through single window system and pursuing Professional Courses in Government, Government aided and self financing colleges, are sanctioned special fee and non-refundable compulsory fee as

prescribed by the Government. Book money is sanctioned as notified in scholarship notification and examination fee in full. This is subject to the conditions that the annual parental income should not exceed Rs.2,00,000 and the beneficiary should be the first graduate in the family. In addition to the scholarship amount, boarding and lodging charges at the rate of Rs. 350 per month for 10 months in a year are sanctioned to students who are staying in hostels attached to educational institutions.

During the year 2020-2021 a sum of Rs.5,362.70 lakh has been spent for the benefit of 1,16,148 students. The details are as follows:-

<b>Category</b>	<b>Total Number of Students</b>	<b>Amount Spent (Rs. in lakh)</b>
BC	71682	3297.59
MBC/DNC	44466	2065.11
Total	116148	5362.70

A sum of Rs.4,600 lakh for Backward Classes Welfare Department and Rs.3,000 lakh for Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities Welfare Department, totaling Rs.7,600 lakh has been provided for the year 2021-2022.

#### **6.4 Web Enabled Sanction of Scholarship**

A web application [www.escholarship.tn.gov.in](http://www.escholarship.tn.gov.in) is developed by the National Informatics Centre and disbursement of scholarship to the college students of Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities is implemented through the above website. Scholarships are directly credited into the students' bank account through ECS by the respective Heads of the Department adopting centralized payment system through IFHRMS.

## **7. SCHOLARSHIPS TO STUDENTS OF TAMIL NADU STUDYING IN LISTED CENTRAL INSTITUTES.**

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 lakh. During the year 2020-21 a sum of Rs.126.90 lakh was spent for the benefit of 213 students. This scheme will continuously be implemented during the current year and necessary funds are provided under post matric scholarship scheme.



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

For encouraging women education among the rural girls and for considerably reducing the dropouts at elementary education level, financial assistance is granted to rural girl students of Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities at the rate of Rs.500 per annum for the students studying from 3<sup>rd</sup> standard to 5<sup>th</sup> standard and Rs.1,000 per annum for the students studying in 6<sup>th</sup> standard. This scheme was introduced in the year 1999 – 2000. The annual parental income ceiling for availing this benefit is Rs.72,000.

During the year 2020-2021 a sum of Rs.1,655.69 lakh has been spent for the benefit of 2,64,898 students.

For the year 2021-2022, a sum of Rs.1,675 lakh has been provided.

## 9. DISTRIBUTION OF FREE BICYCLES

Under this scheme, bicycles are distributed free of cost to the students belonging to Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities studying 11<sup>th</sup> Standard in Government, Government Aided and partly aided schools without any income ceiling. The students staying in the hostels situated in the school premises and students of residential schools are not eligible to get bicycles.

During the year 2020-2021 a sum of Rs.14,879.34 lakh has been spent for the benefit of 3,77,286 students. The details are as follows:-

<b>Category</b>	<b>Total Number of Students</b>	<b>Amount Spent (Rs. in lakh)</b>
BC	198206	7818.73
MBC/DNC	179080	7060.61
Total	377286	14879.34

A sum of Rs.7,885.50 lakh for Backward Classes Welfare Department and Rs.6,787.49 lakh for Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities Welfare Department, totaling Rs.14,672.99 lakh has been provided for the year 2021-2022.

## 10. HOSTELS

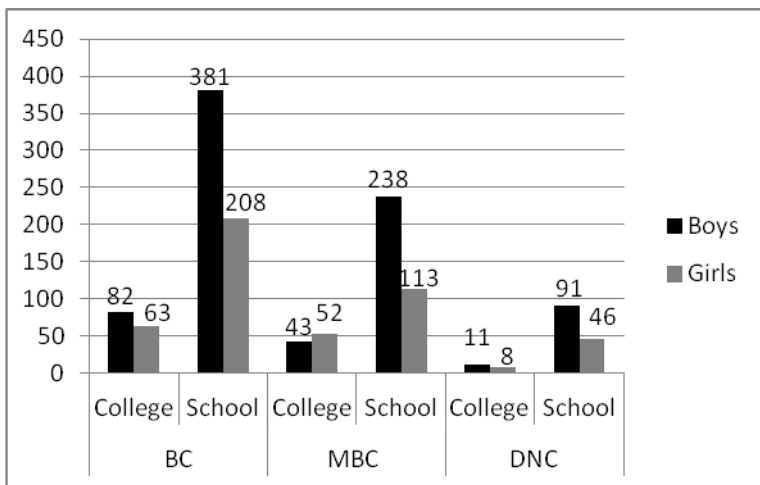
1,336 hostels are functioning in the State for the benefit of Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities students to pursue their studies without any impediments. Free boarding and lodging facilities are provided to the inmates of these hostels.

Details of hostels are given below:-

Sl. No	Depart -ment	Hostels	No. of hostels		
			Boys	Girls	Total
1	BC	College	82	63	145
		School	381	208	589
		Total	463	271	734
2	MBC	College	43	52	95
		School	238	113	351
		Total	281	165	446

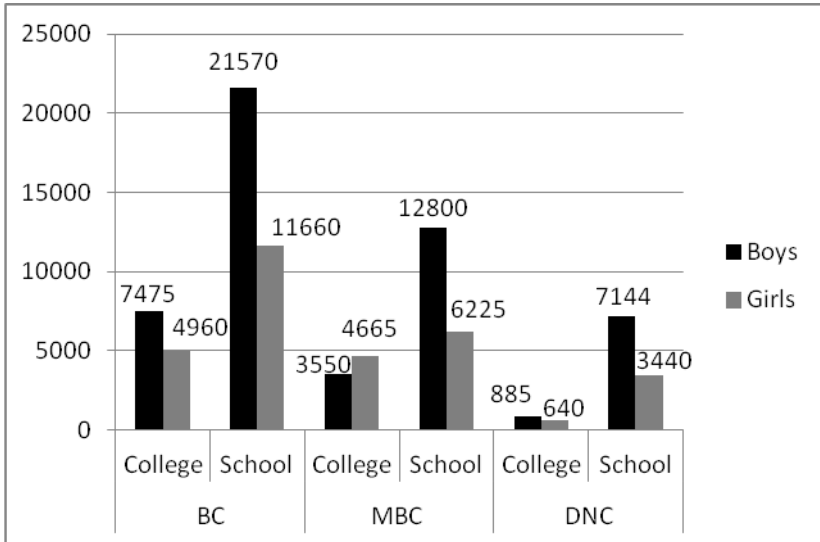
3	DNC	College	11	8	19
		School	91	46	137
		Total	102	54	156
College			136	123	259
School			710	367	1077
Total			846	490	1336

### Number of hostels



85,014 students can be accommodated and avail benefits by staying in these hostels. Students with annual parental income upto Rs.1 lakh are admitted in the hostels.

## Students strength in Hostels



In each hostel, 5 additional seats are allotted to accommodate children of Sri Lankan Tamils who reside in camps. District Collectors have been empowered to sanction 10% additional strength to the needy hostels. If demand for hostel admissions exceeds even after sanctioning additional seats by District Collectors, the Heads of the Department have been empowered to

admit an additional 2,185 students over and above the sanctioned strength of the hostels.

In each hostel 4% seats are allotted to differently abled students. Children rescued from child labour practices are admitted in the hostels even during the middle of an academic year.

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

For upgrading the quality of hostels, particularly college hostels the Government has made a special capital allocation of Rs.25 crore for the year 2021 – 2022.

## **10.1 Food Charges**

Food charges are sanctioned at the rate of Rs.1,000 per month for school hostel boarders and Rs.1,100 per month for college hostel boarders for 10 months in a year.

The Government is sanctioning Rs.40 per student for school hostel boarders and Rs.80 per student for college hostel boarders for providing special food during Pongal, Republic day, Tamil New Year, Independence day and Deepavali.

Miscellaneous charges of Rs.50 per month for school hostel boarders and Rs.75 per month for college hostel boarders are sanctioned for purchase of soap, tooth paste, etc. This amount is directly credited into the student's bank account through ECS.

During the year 2020-2021 a sum of Rs.19,492.10 lakh was spent towards food charges, administration, maintenance and other expenditure for running of hostels.

A sum of Rs.16,619.57 lakh for Backward Classes Welfare Department and Rs.13,625.44 lakh for Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities Welfare Department, totaling Rs.30,245.01 lakh has been provided for the year 2021-2022.

## **10.2 Benefits Provided to Boarders of Hostels**

1. The boarders of hostels studying up to 12<sup>th</sup> Standard are supplied with all the text books free of cost by the Department of School Education.
2. Four sets of uniforms are provided to the hostel boarders studying from 4<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> Standard as per the colour and pattern adopted under Noon Meal Scheme.
3. Special Guides are provided free of cost to the boarders studying in 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>



Standard to improve their performance in Public Examinations.

4. One English and two Tamil dailies are supplied to each hostel.
5. Medical checkups are conducted three times a year for all hostel boarders and Kallar Reclamation school students.
6. Woolen sweaters are provided to the boarders in hill stations.
7. Mats, jamakkalam, bed sheets, stainless steel plates and tumblers, etc, are provided to all hostel boarders.
8. Sundal and Chukkumalli coffee/ tea are provided to the hostel boarders every evening.
9. Mutton and chicken are provided on the first and third Wednesday and second

and fourth Wednesday respectively every month.

10. Boiled eggs are provided at the rate of one per student per day for five days in a week. Bananas are given to the boarders who do not take eggs.
11. Career guidance programmes are conducted for creating awareness among hostel boarders studying in standard 10<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and colleges to aid in their preparation for competitive examinations.
12. Library books, bookshelves, play materials, colour television, wet grinder, mixer, water purifier, napkin incinerator, fire extinguishers, idly steamers and electric insect destroyer are supplied to both school and college hostels. In addition, two tier bunk cots, inverter, reference books, instant wet grinder,

steam boiler are supplied to college hostels.

13. Annually Rs.50,000 is sanctioned to each hostel to carry out emergency repair works.

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

Apart from the hostels run by the Department, 39 private hostels have been recognized by the Government for the benefit of Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities students. Boarding grant of Rs.1,000 per month per student for 10 months is sanctioned to the boarders of these hostels whose parental annual income does not exceed Rs.1,00,000.

During the year 2020-2021 a sum of Rs.16.50 lakh was spent for the benefit of 952 students.

A sum of Rs.51.01 lakh for Backward Classes Welfare Department and Rs.46.80 lakh for Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities Welfare Department, totaling Rs.97.81 lakh has been provided for the year 2021-2022.

## **12. STATE LEVEL AWARDS TO HOSTELS AND STAFF**

Three best hostels are selected at state level and shield and mementos are awarded to the hostels. Further cash prizes are awarded to the staff of these hostels as follows:

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

During the year 2020-2021 a sum of Rs.2.74 lakh has been spent for awarding prizes.

For the year 2021-2022, a sum of Rs.1.37 lakh has been provided.

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

Out of 1,336 Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities hostels, 1269 hostels are functioning in own buildings and 67 hostels are functioning in rented buildings. Orders have been issued for construction of own buildings to 35 hostels and works are under progress through Public Works department. Action is being taken to construct own building for the remaining 32 hostels.

During the year 2020-2021 expenditure has been incurred to the tune of Rs.1,230.95 lakh for construction of hostel buildings.

A sum of Rs.1,426 lakh for Backward Classes Welfare Department and Rs.200 lakh for Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities Welfare Department, totaling Rs.1,626 lakh has been provided for the year 2021-2022.

#### **14. MAINTENANCE OF HOSTELS**

Maintenance works for hostels functioning in Government buildings are taken up through the Public Works Department. An allotment of Rs.600 lakh is provided every year for maintenance works.

During 2020-2021, Rs.630 lakh has been allotted under the scheme and maintenance works were carried out in 93 hostels. Apart from this, during the year 2020-2021, a sum of Rs.9 crore has been sanctioned for taking up special maintenance and repair works in 114 hostels and works carried out by the Public Works Department.

For the year 2021-2022, a sum of Rs.630 lakh has been provided.

## **15. DISTRIBUTION OF UNIFORMS**

For students upto class 8 in kallar reclamation schools, four sets of uniforms are supplied free of cost by Social Welfare and Women Empowerment department every year. The boarders of Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities hostels studying up to 10<sup>th</sup> Standard are supplied four sets of uniforms free of cost every year. The colour and pattern of the uniforms are the same as that of uniforms in Government Schools. Cloth for uniforms is procured from Co-optex and stitched through the District Women Weavers Co-operative Societies.

A sum of Rs.250 lakh for Backward Classes Welfare Department and Rs.225.40 lakh for Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities

Welfare Department, totaling Rs.475.40 lakh has been provided for the year 2021-2022.

## **16. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SCHEMES**

### **16.1 Supply of Free Iron Boxes**

Under the scheme, iron boxes are distributed free of cost to the poor people belonging to Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities who are engaged in laundry activities to improve their economic status. For availing benefit under the scheme, the annual income of the beneficiaries should not exceed Rs.72,000.

Action is being taken to supply 2,238 iron boxes at a cost of Rs.109 lakh for the year 2020-2021.

For the year 2021-2022, a sum of Rs.109 lakh has been provided.



## **16.2 Supply of Sewing Machines**

Under the scheme, motorized sewing machines are distributed free of cost to poor people belonging to Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities for their economic upliftment. For availing benefit under the scheme, the annual income of the beneficiaries should not exceed Rs.72,000.

Action is being taken to supply 3,000 motorized sewing machines at a cost of Rs.135 lakh for the year 2020-2021.

A sum of Rs.65 lakh for Backward Classes Welfare Department and Rs.67.66 lakh for Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities Welfare Department, totaling Rs.132.66 lakh has been provided for the year 2021-2022.

### **16.3 Distribution of House Sites**

To enable the depressed classes of people to construct houses on their own, the Government have formulated the scheme of issue of free house sites. Under the scheme, houseless persons of Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities are allotted house sites free of cost. For availing benefit under the scheme, the annual income of the beneficiaries should not exceed Rs.72,000.

During the year 2020-2021, 548 house sites have been distributed to beneficiaries at a cost of Rs.344.43 lakh.

A sum of Rs.200 lakh for Backward Classes Welfare Department and Rs.150.02 lakh for Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities Welfare Department, totaling Rs.350.02 lakh has been provided for the year 2021-2022.

## **17. DENOTIFIED COMMUNITIES WELFARE BOARD**

For the social, educational and economic development of Denotified Communities, the Denotified Communities Welfare Board has been formed by the Government in the year 2007. Persons who have completed 18 years and not exceeding 60 years of age are eligible to get registered as members in the Board. The members enrolled in this board are sanctioned various welfare assistances like accident relief, educational assistance, marriage assistance, maternity assistance, old-age pension as in the case of members of the Welfare Boards for unorganized labourers, functioning under the administrative control of Labour Welfare and Skill Development Department. So far Rs.200 lakh has been allotted to the board.

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

<b>Sl. No</b>	<b>Details of the Assistance</b>	<b>Financial Assistance (in Rs.)</b>
1.	Accident Relief a) Death due to accident	1,00,000
	b) Disability due to accident	10,000 to 1,00,000
2.	Natural death	20,000
3.	Funeral expenses	5,000
4.	Educational assistance	
	a) Girls Studying X standard	1,000
	b) Students passed X standard	1,000
	c) Girls studying XI standard	1,000
	d) Girls studying XII standard	1,500
	e) Students passed XII	1,500

<b>Sl. No</b>	<b>Details of the Assistance</b>	<b>Financial Assistance (in Rs.)</b>
	standard	
	f) (i) Regular degree course	1,500
	(ii) Regular degree course with hostel facility	1,750
	g) (i) Regular postgraduate degree course	4,000
	(ii) Regular postgraduate degree course with hostel facility	5,000
	h) (i) Professional degree course	4,000
	(ii) Professional degree course with hostel facility	6,000
	i) (i) Professional post graduate degree course	6,000
	(ii) Professional post graduate degree course with hostel facility	8,000
	j) (i) ITI or Vocational Training	1,000
	(ii) ITI or Vocational	1,200

<b>Sl. No</b>	<b>Details of the Assistance</b>	<b>Financial Assistance (in Rs.)</b>
	Training with hostel facility	
5.	Marriage assistance	2,000
6.	a) Maternity assistance of Rs.1,000 per month for 6 months b) Abortion	6,000 3,000
7.	Reimbursement of spectacle expenses	Up to 500
8.	Old age pension per month	1,000

So far, expenditure has been incurred to the tune of Rs.80.91 lakh for providing various welfare assistance to 3,398 registered members of the board.

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

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

“Tamil Nadu Narikoravar Welfare Board” has been formed by the Government in the year 2008 for providing education and assistance for alternative employment to Narikoravar and to provide various welfare assistance to them. Persons who have completed 18 years and not exceeding 60 years of age are eligible to get registered as members in the Board. Members enrolled in the board are sanctioned various welfare assistances such as, accident relief, educational assistance, marriage assistance, maternity assistance and old age pension as in the case of members of the welfare boards for unorganized labours, functioning under the administrative control of Labour Welfare and Skill Development Department.

Financial assistance is provided to the members of the board to take up self employment activities either individually or as a group, at the

rate of Rs.7,500 for individual and a maximum back ended subsidy of Rs.1,25,000 for a group. So far a sum of Rs.1,065 lakh has been provided to the Board.

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

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Details of the Assistance</b>	<b>Financial Assistance (in Rs.)</b>
1.	Accident Relief a) Death due to accident	1,00,000
	b) Disability due to accident	10,000 to 1,00,000
2.	Natural death	20,000
3.	Funeral expenses	5,000
4.	Education	
	a) Students studying from 1 <sup>st</sup> to 5 <sup>th</sup> standard	500
	b) Students studying from 6 <sup>th</sup> to 9 <sup>th</sup> standard	1,000
	c) Girls studying X standard	1,000
	d) Students passed X	1,000



<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Details of the Assistance</b>	<b>Financial Assistance (in Rs.)</b>
	standard	
	e) Girls studying XI standard	1,000
	f) Girls studying XII standard	1,500
	g) Students passed XII standard	1,500
	h) (i) Regular degree course	1,500
	(ii) Regular degree course with hostel facility	1,750
	i) (i) Regular postgraduate course	4,000
	(ii) Regular postgraduate course with hostel facility	5,000
	j) (i) Professional degree course	4,000
	(ii) Professional degree course with hostel facility	6,000
	k)(i) Professional	6,000

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Details of the Assistance</b>	<b>Financial Assistance (in Rs.)</b>
	postgraduate course	
	(ii) Professional postgraduate courses with hostel facility	8,000
	l) (i) ITI or Vocational Training	1,000
	(ii) ITI or Vocational Training with hostel Facility	1,200
5.	Marriage assistance	2,000
6.	Financial Assistance to pregnant women	
	a) Maternity Assistance of Rs.1,000 per month for 6 months	6,000
	b) Abortion	3,000
7.	Reimbursement of spectacle expenses	Up to Rs.500
8.	Old age pension per month	1,000
9.	Subsidy for self-employment 1. Individual subsidy	7,500

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Details of the Assistance</b>	<b>Financial Assistance (in Rs.)</b>
	2. Starting business as a group	10,000 (individual) or 1,25,000 for group

So far, expenditure has been incurred to the tune of Rs.781.35 lakh for providing various welfare assistance to 13,932 registered members of the board.

For the year 2021-2022, a sum of Rs.50 lakh has been provided.

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

To identify and integrate various charitable trusts bequeathed by the Vanniyar philanthropists and to find ways and means to fulfill the objectives of the trusts the Government had

formed the Vanniyar Public Property Welfare Board in the year 2009.

To safeguard the properties of such trusts and endowments created by persons or organizations of Vanniyakula Kshatriya Community an act namely "The Tamil Nadu Vanniyakula Kshatriya Public Charitable Trusts and Endowments (Protection and Maintenance) Act 2018" has been enacted. The Act came into force on 04.02.2019.

As per the provisions of the Act, the Government have established Tamil Nadu Vanniyakula Kshatriya Public Charitable Trusts and Endowments Board with a Chairperson and 10 members. 23 posts have been sanctioned to the board. The board is also composed of a Member-Secretary and two ex-officio members. During the year 2020-2021 Rs.1 crore has been sanctioned to the board for administrative expenses. The board has so far identified 97

trusts. Of these, 36 trusts have been registered under the board. Action is being taken by the board to publish the list of properties of such trusts in the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette as per section 5 of the act.

## **20. 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 award carries a gold medal of 1 sovereign and a cash prize of Rs.1 lakh.

For the year 2021-2022, a sum of Rs.1.50 lakh has been provided.

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

The Tamil Nadu Backward Classes Commission has been constituted as a permanent body pursuant to the directions of the Supreme Court of India in Indra Sawhney known as Mandal case. The Commission is functioning from 15.3.1993 under the Chairmanship of a retired Judge of High Court with members. This Commission is reconstituted once in 3 years.

The functions of the Commission are quasi-judicial in nature. The following are the terms of reference for the Tamil Nadu Backward Classes Commission:-

- (i) The Commission shall entertain, examine and recommend upon requests for inclusion and complaints of over-inclusion and under-inclusion

in the lists of Backward Classes / Most Backward Classes.

- (ii) Periodic revision of the list of Backward Classes and Most Backward Classes in this State as and when decided.
- (iii) The Commission shall base its recommendations in the light of the provision contained in Article 16(4) read with relevant provisions of the Constitution of India and the various decisions of the Supreme Court bearing on the subject.
- (iv) The Commission shall make recommendations on improved reservation for Christians, Muslims and other Minorities based on their social and educational backwardness.
- (v) The Commission shall examine and recommend upon the demand made

by various communities to provide for internal reservation within the reservation provided for Most Backward Classes.

- (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.

This Commission has been reconstituted under the chairmanship of Justice Thiru M. Thanikachalam (Retd) with 6 members for the period of 3 years on 08.07.2020.

## **22.COMMISSION FOR COLLECTION OF QUANTIFIABLE DATA ON CASTES COMMUNITIES AND TRIBES OF TAMIL NADU**

In order to collect Quantifiable data of Castes in Tamil Nadu, the Government has constituted a Commission for Collection of



Quantifiable data on Castes Communities and Tribes of Tamil Nadu.

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

Tamil Nadu Backward Classes Economic Development Corporation (TABCEDCO), a State Government Undertaking was incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956 on 16.11.1981 and it commenced its operations on 22.5.1982. The main objective of the Corporation is to foster the economic development of Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes, Denotified Communities by providing loans for the economically and financially viable schemes, trade or project to the individuals, groups. The Corporation has an authorised share capital of Rs.30 crore and a paid up capital of Rs.12.27 crore. The Corporation is acting as the State channelizing agency of the National Backward Classes Finance and Development Corporation and obtains loan from

the latter upon the guarantee given by the Tamil Nadu Government for funding various loan schemes.

### **23.1 Loan Schemes**

Tamil Nadu Backward Classes Economic Development Corporation sanctions loans to individuals and Self Help Groups. District Level screening Committee consisting of the Joint Register 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, selects beneficiaries for various loan schemes. The corporation sanctions and disburses loans through Co-operative Banks/Societies.

Tamil Nadu Industrial Co-operative Bank, Tamil Nadu Handloom Development corporation, Co-operative Banks and Tamil Nadu Co-operative Milk Producers Federation (Aavin) are acting as

Sub-Channelizing Agencies for the disbursement and recovery of loans.

Annual family income limit for all the loan schemes is Rs.3,00,000.

### **23.1.1 General Term Loan Scheme**

Under General Term loan scheme, loan upto Rs.5 lakh is sanctioned to a beneficiary at 6% rate of interest per annum for small trade / business. Loans above Rs.5 lakh and upto Rs.10 lakh carry 7% rate of interest per annum. Loans above Rs.10 lakh and upto Rs.15 lakh carry 8% rate of interest per annum. Repayment period of loan varies from 3 to 8 years. Loan repayment rate under the scheme is 91%.

During the year 2020-2021 loan amount of Rs.381.22 lakh has been disbursed to 363 beneficiaries under the scheme.

### **23.1.2 New Swarnima Scheme for Women**

This scheme is implemented with an objective of women empowerment. Under the scheme, maximum loan of Rs.2,00,000 per beneficiary is sanctioned at 5% rate of interest per annum. Repayment period of loan varies from 3 to 8 years. Loan repayment rate under the scheme is 92%.

During the year 2020-2021 loan amount of Rs.163.18 lakh has been disbursed to 279 beneficiaries under the scheme.

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

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

Rs.1,00,000 per beneficiary and Rs.15 lakh per group which carries 4% rate of interest per annum. Repayment period of loan is 4 years. Loan repayment rate under the scheme is 95%.

During the year 2020-2021 loan amount of Rs.8,668.94 lakh has been disbursed to 13,391 beneficiaries under the scheme.

#### **23.1.4 Micro Credit for Men**

Under the scheme, micro finance is provided to Men Self Help Groups for small trade/ business, either individually or as a group. Maximum number of members in a self help group is 20. Maximum loan amount is Rs.1,00,000 per beneficiary and Rs.15 lakh per group which carries 5% rate of interest per annum. Repayment period of loan is 4 years. Loan recovery rate under the scheme is 95%.

During the year 2020-2021 loan amount of Rs.188.32 lakh has been disbursed to 292 beneficiaries under the scheme.

During the year 2020-2021, an amount of Rs.9,401.66 lakh has been disbursed to 14,325 beneficiaries by this corporation.

For the year 2020-2021, it has been proposed to provide loans to the tune of Rs.126 crore (National Backward Classes Finance and Development Corporation Share Rs.120 crore and Tamil Nadu Backward Classes Economic Development Corporation Share Rs.6 crore) under various schemes.

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

The loan cum subsidy scheme for the economically Backward, small and marginal farmers of Backward Classes, Most Backward

Classes and Denotified Communities for creating irrigation facility is being implemented from the year 2007-2008. Loan assistance through Co-operative Banks / Nationalized Banks, to create irrigation sources upto a maximum of Rs.1,00,000 with 50% Government subsidy is provided under the scheme. So far subsidy to a tune of Rs.2,409.37 lakh has been disbursed benefitting 5,117 small and marginal farmers.

For the year 2021-2022, Rs.350 lakh has been allotted for providing subsidies to small and marginal farmers for creating irrigation facilities.

## **Conclusion**

This Government is committed to safeguard social justice in Tamil Nadu. The Government is striving hard for the social, educational and economic advancement of Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities and committed to protect their

interests and rights. Tamil Nadu stands foremost among all other States, by following the reservation policy effectively in admission into educational institutions and appointment in Government services. This Government is determined to continuously implement various welfare schemes for the welfare of these people.

**S.S. SIVASANKAR**  
**Minister for Backward**  
**Classes Welfare**



**ANNEXURE**  
**ALLOTMENT FOR THE YEAR 2021 – 2022**

(Rs. in lakh)

<b>Department</b>	<b>Revenue</b>	<b>Capital</b>	<b>Loan</b>	<b>Total</b>
Secretariat	633.18	---	40.00	673.18
Waqf and Haj Committee	1992.27	---	----	1992.27
Backward Classes Welfare	50084.73	2926.02	---	53010.75
Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities	51875.19	4657.85	---	56533.04
Tamil Nadu Backward Classes Commission	94.47	---	---	94.47
State Minorities Commission	64.93	---	---	64.93
Minorities Welfare	1891.49	1300.01	---	3191.50
Tamil Nadu Waqf Tribunal	75.92	---	---	75.92
<b>Total</b>	<b>106712.18</b>	<b>8883.88</b>	<b>40.00</b>	<b>115636.06</b>



Hon'ble Chief Minister reviewed the activities of the department on 09.07.2021



Hon'ble Minister for Backward Classes Welfare and MLA of Chempauk – Thiruvallikeni Thiru Udhayanidhi Stalin inspected Thiruvallikeni, Govt MBC College Girls hostel on 25.08.2021 in view of re-opening of hostels 01.09.2021 which were not functioning due to Covid pandemic.



Hon'ble Minister for Backward Classes Welfare distributes iron boxes to the beneficiaries.



Hon'ble Minister for Backward Classes Welfare distributes sewing machines to the beneficiaries.



Govt Kallar Reclamation Higher Secondary School A.Poochipatti, Madurai.





Government Backward Classes college boys hostel, Theni.