

X. SCHEDULED CASTE SUB PLAN (SCSP)

Scheduled Caste Sub-Plan (SCSP) was first introduced during the Sixth Plan to channelise the flow of benefits and outlays in Physical and financial terms from the general sectors in the Plans of the States/Union Territories for development of SCs. These plans are envisaged to help the poor SC families through composite income generating/welfare schemes. The system has evolved a useful mechanism to draw funds and physical benefits in various sectors for improving the socio-economic and living conditions of the Scheduled Castes.

SCSP is prepared as an integral part of Five Year Plan/Annual Plan showing sectorwise, schemewise outlays earmarked for Scheduled Castes and corresponding physical targets. According to the guidelines received from Government of India, flow of funds to SCs in States and Union Territories should be equivalent to percentage of Scheduled Castes population to total population of the States and Union Territories.

As per 2001 census, the population of SCs in this territory is 1,57,771 which is 16.19% of the total population of 9,73,345. Hence 16.19% of total Plan allocation would be earmarked for development of SCs in this Union Territory. Adi Dravidar Welfare Department is the Nodal Department in implementing the SCSP in the Union Territory of Puducherry.

SCSP allocation in the Revised Annual Plan 2008-09 and Draft Annual Plan 2009-10

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(Rs. in Crore)

<i>Year</i>	<i>SCSP</i>		
	<i>Total Plan Outlay</i>	<i>For SCs</i>	<i>%</i>
2008-09 (BE)	1750.00	283.33	16.19
2008-09 (RE Proposed)	1750.00	283.33	16.19
2009-10 (BE Proposed)	2000.00	323.80	16.19