

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1873
TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.08.2023**

IMPLEMENTATION OF SRMS

1873. DR. T. SUMATHY (a) THAMIZHACHI THANGAPANDIAN:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of capital subsidy released for the States for sanitation related projects under Self Employment Scheme for Rehabilitation of Manual Scavengers (SRMS) during each of the last five years, year and State-wise;
- (b) the number of women manual scavengers, State-wise; and
- (c) whether the Government has formulated any new scheme for the rehabilitation of women manual scavengers in the country, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
(SHRI RAMDAS ATHAWALE)**

(a): Capital Subsidy of Rs. 22.93 Cr has been released for procurement of 286 units of sanitation related equipments/ projects by 641 Safai Karamcharis under SRMS. Capital subsidy are provided to Safai Karamcharis through DBT and not to States. The scheme for providing capital subsidy has been started from the year 2020-21.

A statement showing State-wise & Year-wise details of beneficiaries covered and capital subsidy released under SRMS is given at **Annexure-I**.

(b): As per two surveys conducted in the year 2013 and 2018 for the identification of Manual Scavengers, 58098 eligible manual scavengers have been identified out of which 41249 are women. The state-wise number of women manual scavengers is given at **Annexure-II**.

(c): Government was implementing a Central Sector Self Employment Scheme for Rehabilitation of Manual Scavengers (SRMS). This is a gender neutral scheme targeting occupation based identification and rehabilitation of manual scavengers. The following were the provisions for providing assistance to the identified manual scavengers for their rehabilitation:-

- a. One-time Cash Assistance of Rs. 40,000/- per family has been provided to all identified and eligible 58098 manual scavengers.
- b. Capital Subsidy upto Rs. 5,00,000/- has been provided 2313(including 1088 women) manual scavengers and their dependents to take up alternate self employment projects and 641 beneficiaries (including 93 women) for sanitation related project.
- c. Skill Development Training has been provided to 22294 manual scavengers including women and their dependents (including 12467 women) with stipend @ Rs. 3,000/- per month during the training period. The successfully trained candidates are also provided Government recognized training certificates and assistance for sustainable employments.
- d. Health Insurance under Ayushman Bharat, Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) to the families of all the identified manual scavengers.

The nomenclature of (SRMS) scheme has been changed to National Action for Mechanised Sanitation Ecosystem” (NAMASTE) including above existing components of SRMS.

Annexure-I

**Annexure-I referred in reply to part (a) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1873
for answer on 01.08.2023 regarding Implementation of SRMS**

State & Year-wise details of capital subsidy released under SRMS as on 30.06.2023

			(Rs. In Lakh)
2020-21			
State	No. of Beneficiaries	Number of Machines	Capital Subsidy released
Madhya Pradesh	3	3	9.75
Total-A	3	3	9.75
2021-22			
State	No. of Beneficiaries	Number of Machines	Capital Subsidy released
Andhra Pradesh	336	93	1219.08
Odisha	19	9	62.43
Madhya Pradesh	42	42	155.36
Haryana	2	2	9.88
Maharashtra	2	2	7.9
Telangana	26	15	101.85
A & N Islands	11	8	38.19
JharKhand	5	5	19.39
Uttar Pradesh	18	18	64.32
Total-B	461	194	1678.4
2022-23			
State	No. of Beneficiaries	Number of Machines	Capital Subsidy released
Uttar Pradesh	14	14	52.82
Jharkhand	2	2	7.70
Andhra Pradesh	106	35	342.28
Madhya Pradesh	32	32	133.95
Telangana	23	6	68.53
Total-C	177	89	605.28
Grand Total (A+B+C)	641	286	2293.43

Annexure-II

**Annexure-II referred in reply to part (b) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1873
for answer on 01.08.2023 regarding Implementation of SRMS**

State-wise list of Women Manual Scavengers		
S. No	State	Number
1	Andhra Pradesh	558
2	Assam	1932
3	Gujrat	35
4	Jharkhand	138
5	Karnataka	858
6	Kerala	125
7	Madhya Pradesh	259
8	Maharashtra	2608
9	Punjab	16
10	Rajasthan	1834
11	Tamil Nadu	50
12	Uttar Pradesh	30078
13	UttaraKhand	2387
14	West Bengal	252
15	Bihar	68
16	Chhattishgarh	3
17	Odisha	48
	TOTAL	41249
