

SCA(SC)-4 Strengthening of 108 Community Centres - providing equipment and raw material

Approved Outlay- Rs. 31.50 Lac

Under the scheme, one year training in cutting, tailoring and embroidery is provided to the below poverty line women/girls to enable them to be self employed/self dependent. The expenditure on the staff is met from the non-plan budget. Funds required for raw material, repair and maintenance of machinery, free sewing machines to the successful trainee etc. are provided from SCA to strengthen the existing Community Centres opened in the State. At present only 39 community centres are functioning.

In each centre 20 BPL SC women/girls are trained every year. A free sewing machine is given to the trained girls after completion of the training so that they are self-employed. The items prepared by the trainees during the training are sold in the market at 10% profit by holding exhibitions on different occasions. The profit money is used as revolving fund for purchase of raw material for the concerned trade. After completion of one batch, the training centres are shifted to other villages preferably SC dominated villages having 40% or more SC population. The concerned village panchayat provides rent free building and also pays the electricity and water charges of the centre running in the village.

An amount of Rs. 31.50 lac is likely to be spent during 2017-18 to provide free sewing machines to trained SC women/girls during 2017-18. An allocation of Rs.31.50 lac has been earmarked for the year 2018-19.