


3. In the last Conference of Governors held on 12-13 July, 2000, some of the Governors had expressed their concern about the implementation of various welfare programmes meant for the SCs and particularly implementation of the Special Component Plan. Recently, Governor of Uttar Pradesh, has referred to a case of gross misutilisation of funds in Uttar Pradesh where sizable amount of fund meant for providing scholarship to the students belonging to SCs have been siphoned off. The Government of Uttar Pradesh has taken necessary action against the persons responsible for such misuse of funds.

4. This Ministry attaches high priority to implementation of all schemes meant for welfare of Scheduled Castes, Minorities and other Weaker Sections. The progress of implementation of various schemes is being reviewed by the Ministry from time to time. However, it is more important that the State Government regularly monitoring the planning and implementation of programmes to ensure flow of funds and services to the weaker sections for which it is meant. I am sure, you will appreciate our concern for ensuring that funds provided under various schemes meant for welfare of the weaker sections are utilized as per the guidelines laid down under the scheme and any form of misuse/misutilization does not take place. I would request you to kindly review implementation of the schemes and take appropriate action for ensuring that the desired objectives of the schemes are achieved and there is no misutilisation of funds.

I will be grateful to be apprised of the action taken.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,


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