

REHABILITATION OF MANUAL SCAVENGING

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State and year-wise manual scavengers/dependants provided assistance for rehabilitation during last five years

S.No.

State

Coverage

One Time Cash Assistance

Skill Development Training

Capital Subsidy for Self Employment Projects

2016-2017

2017-2018

2018-19

2019-20

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Andhra Pradesh

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Total

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