

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3175
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STRENGTHENING OF INFRASTRUCTURE IN MINORITY INSTITUTIONS

3175. MS. NUSSRAT JAHAN:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any scheme for augmenting and strengthening infrastructure facilities in minority institution for formal education to children of minority communities;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the number of school buildings, hostels, ITIs, skill centres constructed / augmented in such areas during the last three years, particularly in the State of West Bengal; and
- (d) the details of funds allocated and spent, separately for this programme during the last three years, with particular reference to the State of West Bengal?

A N S W E R

THE MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS
(SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) & (b): The Government implements various programs for the welfare and upliftment of every strata, including minorities, specially the economically weaker and lesser privileged sections of the society, through various schemes of the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, Ministry of Textiles, Ministry of Culture, Ministry of Women and Child Development and Ministry of Rural Development. Ministry of Minority Affairs specifically implements various schemes across the country for socio-economic and educational empowerment of the six (6) Centrally notified minority communities.

Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK), a Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS), is an area development programme under which community infrastructure and basic amenities are

being created in the identified areas. The priority sectors under PMJVK are education, health, skill development, women centric projects, etc. The projects under the scheme are considered and approved on the basis of the proposals received from the respective State Govt. and UT Administration. The projects are drafted/formulated by the respective State Govt./UTs Administrations.

The projects such as Construction of schools, additional classrooms, hostels, computer literacy centres/digital education centres, science laboratories in schools, basic support infrastructure, drinking water units, toilets in schools, slow learner centres, Degree Colleges, higher institutes of technical studies such as Medical, Nursing Colleges, Agriculture Colleges, etc from the respective State Govt. and UT Administration are considered under PMJVK.

(c): During the last three years 38- School Buildings, 50-Hostel for school/ ITI/ polytechnic, 8-ITI/ Additional Infrastructure for ITI and 9- Skill Centres have been approved under PMJVK. Projects approved for the State of West Bengal during last three years include 426-Additional Classrooms/ Libraries/ Laboratories/ Halls in schools, 19-Smart Classroom/ Computer Laboratories/ Teaching Aids in school, 4208- Other Infrastructure in school and 272- Health Projects.

(d): The budget allocated and the actual expenditure incurred during the last three years under PMJVK and for the State of West Bengal are as under:

(Rs. in Crore)

Financial Year	Budget Estimate (BE)	Revise Estimate (RE)	Actual Expenditure (AE)	Fund released for State of West Bengal
2020-21	1600.00	971.38	1091.94	207.37
2021-22	1390.00	1199.55	1266.87	38.52
2022-23	1650.00	500.00	222.66	NIL. The State Government has an unspent amount of Rs. 179.17 Cr in its SNA Account.
