

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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HOSTELS FOR MINORITY STUDENTS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of hostels available for the minority students at present and the amount provided to construct more such hostels during each of the last three years, State and Union Territory-wise;
- (b) the details of scholarships are given by the States and the Union Government to the minority students at the primary secondary and higher level of education;
- (c) whether there is any scheme to provide scholarship to the minority girls; and
- (d) if so, the details alongwith the number of the minority girl students benefited during each the last three years?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. D.PURANDESWARI)

- (a) and (b): As regards the scholarships given by State Governments, no such information is maintained centrally. The Central Government in the Ministry of Human Resource Development does not have any scheme for providing hostels specifically for minority students. According to the Ministry of Minority Affairs there are no schemes at present for providing scholarship specifically for the minority students.
- (c): The Maulana Azad Education Foundation, an autonomous organisation, under the Ministry of Minority Affairs, gives scholarships to meritorious girl students from minority communities under its scheme Maulana Azad National Scholarships for Meritorious Girl Students.
- (d) A statement is attached.