

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINORITY AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1996  
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SCHOLARSHIP FOR GIRL STUDENTS FROM MINORITY COMMUNITIES  
Thomas Shri P.C.

**Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether there is any scheme for granting scholarship for girl students from minority communities;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the number of girls students benefited therefrom during each of the last three years?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRI A.R. ANTULAY) :

(a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Maulana Azad Education Foundation launched the Maulana Azad National Scholarship Scheme for meritorious Girl Students belonging to minorities during the year 2003-04. Under the Scheme, girl students belonging to minorities, who have passed the 10th standard with more than 55% marks and have taken admission in class 11th or equivalent and the annual income of parents is less than Rs. 1,00,000/ per annum are eligible under the scheme. An amount of Rs. 10,000/ - is sanctioned as one time grant.

(c) 634, 2781 and 3571 scholarships were sanctioned to meritorious girl students by Maulana Azad Education Foundation during the year 2003-04, 2004-05 and 2005-06 respectively.