

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINORITY AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether only 5 percent of Plan funds are spent for development of minorities as reported in media;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to ensure better utilization of funds pertaining to the welfare of Minorities in the country?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (SALMAN KHURSHID)

(a) to (c) Out of the annual plan allocation of Rs.1740 crore in 2009-10, over 98%, that is Rs.1710.89 crore were released to the State Governments, UT administrations and implementing agencies for implementation of various plan schemes/programmes of the Ministry of Minority Affairs. Preparatory work has been initiated for achieving higher utilization of the annual plan allocation during 2010-11.