

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINORITY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4841
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CHRISTIANS OF ORISSA
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Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of communities being treated as minority communities in Orissa;
- (b) the details of benefits that has been given to the Christian community in the State from the National Finance Corporation and under other Central Government schemes;
- (c) the number of minorities of the state who have been provided employment in Central Departments of PSUs during last two years?

Answer

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

(a) As per Section 2(c) of National Commission for Minorities (NCM) Act, 1992, five communities namely, Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists and Parsis (Zoroastrians) were notified as `Minority communities by the Central Government vide Government Notification dated 23/10/1993.

(b) Since inception till 30th October, 2010, the National Minorities Development and Finance Corporation (NMDFC) has disbursed Rs. 77 lakh to 424 Christian beneficiaries as loans and micro-finance through its State Channelizing Agency namely, the Orissa State Scheduled Castes Finance & Development Corporation and Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs). Further, the number of scholarships given to the students of Christian community in Orissa are as under:

Scheme/ Year Pre-matric Post-matric Merit-cum-means
 scholarship scholarship based scholarship

2007-08 Scheme started 13 9
 from 2008-09

2008-09 1900 87 36

2009-10 5448 120 52

2010-11 0 0 48
(as on 30.11.2010)

Proposal not received.

Under the Maulana Azad National Fellowship for minority students, 3 fellowships have been earmarked for Christian Community. During 2009-10, no fellowship was availed by Christian students in Orissa.

(c) The data for recruitment of minorities since 2006-07 is not maintained community-wise, State-wise by the DoPT. However, the data for recruitment of minority communities as a whole is given in the table below:

	2006-07 (For 70 Name of the Organization	2007-08 (For 61 Ministries/ Departments +	2008-09 (For 71 Ministries/ Departments +	2009-10 (For 62 Ministries/ Departments +
	138 Public Sector Undertakings)	126) Public Sector Undertakings)	161 Public Sector Undertakings)	159 Public Sector Undertakings)

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Other Ministries/ 5485 1620 2593 3947
Depts., Sub/ (8.37%) (8.71%) (12.75%) (8.2%)
attached offices

Public Sector 702 1615 4263 2930
Banks & Financial (6.93%) (10.20%) (8.87%) (7.18%)
Institutions

Para Military 2700 4914 3068 Not made
Forces (9.49%) (9.90%) (10.2%) available

Posts 386 517 176 617
(7.60%) (9.65%) (6.36%) (8.06%)

Railways 1456 2295 2739 1705
(2.67%) (6.31%) (8.32%) (68.56%)

Public Sector 1453 1234 2107 1298
Undertakings (11.88%) (5.52%) (7.8%) (5.9%)
(for 138 PSUs) (for 126 PSUs) (for 161 PSUs) (for 159 PSUs)

Total 12182 12195 14946 10497
(6.93%) (8.23%) (9.09%) (8.6%)