

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINORITY AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

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PROVISION FOR SELF-EMPLOYMENT TO MINORITIES  
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**Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the target prescribed for providing self-employment in the country to the minorities during the last three years and their present status;
- (b) whether several units are lagging behind the prescribed target for providing self-employment to the minorities due to administrative indifference; and
- (c) if so, the reasons for not achieving the target set for providing self-employment to the minorities?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (VINCENT H. PALA)

(a) The annual targets of National Minorities Development and Finance Corporation (NMDFC) are fixed through a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed between the Ministry of Minority Affairs, the administrative ministry, and NMDFC for each financial year, for extending loan to a given number of beneficiaries.

Year	MOU Target for assisting number of beneficiaries	Achievements
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2007-08	45,700	47,733
2008-09	60,000	51,198
2009-10	66,000	1,04,594

(b) NMDFC has exceeded the targets during 2007-08 and 2009-10.

(c) During the year 2008-09, the target could not be met due to announcement of elections towards the fag end of the financial year, imposing model code of conduct prohibiting further disbursements.