

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:381
ANSWERED ON:21.12.2011
NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF OPEN SCHOOLING
Khan Shri Hassan

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS) are operating various schemes/projects, for the benefit of students;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, scheme wise;
- (c) the extent to which the students have been benefited, particularly the minorities, along with the funds earmarked and utilized during the last two years and the current year;
- (d) the details of the accredited centres of NIOS for overseas students; and
- (e) the number of students registered with these centres in different countries?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI. KAPIL SIBAL)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO THE PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.381 FOR 21.12.2011 ASKED BY SHRI. HASSAN KHAN REGARDING NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF OPEN SCHOOLING (NIOS)

(a) & (b): The National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS) offers programmes through Open Distance Learning Mode. NIOS conducts examinations for Secondary and Senior Secondary courses and enrolls students under various academic and vocational education programmes.

Currently NIOS runs the following Programmes and projects:

Senior Secondary programme for the students above 15 years of age

Secondary programme for the students above 14 years of age

Vocational Education programmes run through Accredited Vocational Institutes (AVIs) for age group 14+

Hunar Projects for Muslim Girls for skill training

Open Basic Education for neo-literate adults

(c): The number of learners including learners from minority communities enrolled in NIOS is as under:

Year	Total Learners from	Learners minority
	enrolled communities	enrolled

2009-10	438906	88983
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2010-11	493091	92185
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2011-	366539	62696
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12 (upto
31st Oct.,
2011)

The total funds spent by NIOS in the last two years and the current year are as under:

(Rs. in crores)

Year	Budget		Expenditure	
	Plan Fund From GOI	Income genera ted by NIOS	Plan Fund from GOI	From intern al funds
2009-10	15.00	89.35	11.61	69.75
2010-11	11.25	99.07	08.19	71.98
2011-12 (upto 31st Oct., 2011)	15.00	40.83	06.02	37.15

NIOS does not earmark funds specifically for Minorities. However, the funds spent by NIOS on Hunar Project in Bihar and Delhi are as under:

(Rs. in lakhs)

Year	Funds spent	
	Bihar	Delhi
2009-10	74.60	
2010-11	14.77	1.05
2011-12 (upto 31st Oct., 2011)	09.09	7.58

(d) & (e): NIOS has accredited 15 overseas study centres in five countries enrolling 2438 learners, details of which are given below:

S. No.	Country	Number of Institutions (AIs)	Enrolment of Accredited
1	UAE (Abu Dhabi, Dubai & Sharjah)	7	437
2	Kuwait	1	78
3	Qatar	2	49
4	Oman (Muscat)	1	93
5	Nepal	4	1781
Total	15	2438	