

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINORITY AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1459  
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SCHEMES FOR WELFARE OF MINORITIES  
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**Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the schemes being implemented by the Government for the welfare of minorities;
- (b) the funding of each project during the last three years and the current year in Karnataka;
- (c) the plan prepared for the current Five Year Plan in consultation with the Planning Commission;
- (d) the provision for transparency made in each of the scheme being implemented in Karnataka during the said period; and
- (e) the number of persons likely to be benefited under the said plan, State-wise?

**Answer**

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

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

A Statement referred in the reply to (a) to (e) for Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1459 asked by Shri Ganesh Singh and Shri Adagooru Vishwanath regarding Schemes for Welfare of Minorities to be answered on 22nd March, 2012.

(a): The following schemes are implemented by the Ministry of Minority Affairs exclusively for minorities :

- (i) Pre-matric Scholarship Scheme
- (ii) Post-matric Scholarship Scheme
- (iii) Maulana Azad National Fellowship For Minority Students
- (iv) Merit-cum Means based Scholarship
- (v) Free Coaching and Allied Scheme
- (vi) Multi- sectoral Development Programme and

(vii) National Minorities Development & Finance Corporation (NMDFC) implements the micro financing scheme which specifically focuses on women belonging to minority community Self Help Groups (SHGs). Under skill development, NMDFC is implementing the Scheme of Mahila Samridhi Yojana exclusively for women. Under the NMDFC skill development programme including Mahila Samridhi Yojana, instead of allocation of funds, targets are assigned in terms of number of persons to be trained.

The NMDFC also extends concessional loans for self employment and income generating activities to the persons belonging to minority communities including women. Under the term loan scheme of NMDFC, loans are extended to the individuals belonging to Minorities to the tune of maximum Rs. 5.00 Lakhs. NMDFC also has a scheme of Vocational Training where 85% grant of the training cost to the maximum of Rs. 1,000 per month per candidate for courses of maximum duration of 6 months plus a stipend of Rs. 500 per month is given to the candidates including minority girls / women.

(b): The following were the funds released during the last three years and the current year to the State of Karnataka under the various Schemes is given annexure.

(c): The Plan prepared for the current Five Year Plan in consultation with the Planning Commission is at Annexure-I.

(d) : The Ministry has provided for the following mechanisms to ensure transparency for the effective implementation of these schemes:-

(i) For effective monitoring of the Multi- sectoral Development Programme, the Ministry conducts regular review of the progress with the States/UTs. The Oversight Committee at the centre reviews the implementation periodically. In addition, the State and District level

committees review the implementation of the programme.

(ii) The Online Scholarship Management System (OSMS) was introduced in 2011-12 for Merit-cum-Means scholarship for better transparency and accountability.

(iii) A team of empanelled National Level Monitors appointed by the National Productivity Council have undertaken physical visits to the various districts to monitor the schemes implemented by the Ministry.

(iv) Wide publicity through advertisement issued in the print and electronic media for generating awareness among the target groups, and also for public vigilance.

(e): The number of persons benefitted under the said Plan up to 29.02.2012 is at Annexures II to VI. MsDP is an area development programme for which assets are created for the welfare of the community as a whole except for the housing project under Indira Awas Yojana component for which 300097 persons have been benefitted.