## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINORITY AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:244 ANSWERED ON:09.08.2012 FREE COACHING AND ALLIED ASSISTANCE Natarajan Shri P.R.

## Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any Central Scheme is available for free coaching and allied assistance to minority communities across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith its objective;
- (c) the details of institutions approved for free coaching, State-wise;
- (d) the details of fund provisioned/utilized during the 11th Five Year Plan and the provisions for the 12th Five Year Plan; and
- (e) the number of Minority community students benefited during the said period, Minority community-wise/Government/PSE/ Private Sector-wise?

## **Answer**

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

- (a): Yes, Madam.
- (b): The objective of the Free Coaching and Allied Scheme for the candidates belonging to minority communities is to assist the candidates/students by way of special coaching for qualifying examinations for admission in technical/ professional courses, competitive examinations for recruitment to Central / State Government Services, jobs in the private sector, and remedial coaching for technical and professional courses. All institutes in the government sector, including universities and autonomous bodies, engaged in coaching/training activities; Universities/colleges/institutes in private sector engaged in coaching/training activities, including deemed universities are eligible for receiving financial assistance under this scheme. Only candidates belonging to notified minority communities, having total annual family income from all sources not exceeding Rs.2.50 lakh are eligible under the scheme. Candidates must have secured the requisite percentage of marks in the qualifying examination prescribed for admission into the desired courses/ recruitment examinations.
- (c): The number of institutions approved for free coaching during the 11th Five Year Plan state-wise is Annexed. Further details regarding selected institutions for free coaching is available at Ministry's website www.minorityaffairs.gov.in.
- (d): The details of fund provisioned and utilized during the Xlth Five Year Plan and provision of the Xlth Five Year Plan is Annexed.
- (e): A total of 27826 minority candidates/students have benefitted during the 11th Plan Period under the scheme. Community-wise/Government/PSE/Private Sector-wise data are not maintained by the Ministry under this scheme.