GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINORITY AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:922 ANSWERED ON:16.08.2012 RESTRUCTURING OF NMDFC Pakkirappa Shri S.;Ramasubbu Shri S.

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of restructuring proposal for National Minorities Development and Finance Corporation (NMDFC);
- (b) the steps taken or being taken to propagate and popularize the schemes and programmes of NMDFC;
- (c) whether the minorities are not showing any enthusiasm for availing the benefits under the schemes;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the corrective steps being taken by the Government in this regard including proposals, if any for skill development programme for minorities?

Answer

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

- (a) Ministry of Minority Affairs, in consultation with Department of Financial Services (Ministry of Finance), constituted a High Level Committee (HLC) comprising members from Department of Financial Services, Reserve Bank of India and NABARD under the chairpersonship of the Secretary, Ministry of Minority Affairs for finalization of "Restructuring of National Minorities Development and Finance Corporation (NMDFC)" on 26th March 2012. The HLC has since submitted the Report.
- (b) The schemes and programmes of NMDFC have been uploaded on the website of NMDFC. The State Channelising Agencies (SCAs) organize Awareness Camps from time to time for popularizing the schemes of NMDFC.
- (c) No such facts have been reported.
- (d) Does not arise in view of (c) above.
- (e) Under promotional schemes, NMDFC is already extending skill development through Vocational Training Programmes organized for minority communities. During the 11th Plan, NMDFC had spent Rs. 2.59 crore for vocational training of 6282 minority beneficiaries. The target for 2012-13 under the Vocational Training scheme is Rs. 3.73 crore for imparting training to 4139 minority beneficiaries.