

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINORITY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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SUB PLAN FOR MINORITIES
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Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government had received any proposal to accommodate a sub-plan for minorities in the Tenth Five Year Plan with allocation of funds for economic, educational and social upliftment of minorities;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the manner in which the Government proposes to proceed further in the matter?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRI NINONG ERING)

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b) & (c) : The issue of having a sub-plan for minorities was examined in the Ministry. A separate sub-plan for minorities was not found justified as already in some of the schemes/programmes of 10 nodal Ministries under the Prime Minister's 15 Point Programme , 15% of the funds are earmarked for the economic, educational and social upliftment of the five notified minorities. In addition, in all the Schemes implemented by the Ministry of Minority Affairs the total funds are earmarked for the development and upliftment of the five notified minorities.