

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINORITY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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SCHOLARSHIPS TO MINORITY STUDENTS
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Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government provides scholarships to minority students through the account payment to attract them towards education;
- (b) if so, the number of pre-matric and post-matric scholarships provided by the Government during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise ;
- (c) the amount allocated during the said period, State-wise;
- (d) whether there is any variation in allocation of scholarships between different regions;
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (f) the steps taken by the Government to ensure the uniformity in allocation of scholarships across the country?

Answer

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

- (a) : Ministry of Minority Affairs provides Pre-matric, Post-matric and Merit-cum Means based Scholarship Schemes to eligible students belonging to the notified minority communities for their educational empowerment subject to fulfilment of the conditions laid down in the Schemes. As per scheme guidelines, payment of scholarships is to be made through bank accounts.
- (b) and (c) : The number of Pre-matric and Post-matric scholarships provided by the Government during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise is at Annexure I and II.
- (d) : No Madam, the allocation of scholarships between the States/Union Territories Administrations is done on the basis of the prorate minority population ratio as per 2001 Census.
- (e) and (f) : Do not arise in view of (d) above.