

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINORITY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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VOCATIONAL AND TRAINING CAMPS FOR WOMEN OF MINORITY COMMUNITIES

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Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the vocational and other training camps are organized for the women belonging to the minority communities in the country, particularly in Maharashtra; and

(b) if so, the number of such vocational and other training camps organized along with the number of women benefited thereby, location-wise and State/UT-wise?

Answer

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

(a) National Minorities Development and Finance Corporation (NMDFC) under its promotional scheme of vocational training provides financial assistance to its State Channelising Agencies (SCAs) all over the country including Maharashtra for organization of skill development trainings for persons belonging to minority communities, including women. During last four years, no proposal under the vocational training scheme has been received from Maulana Azad Arthik Vikas Mahamandal, the SCA of NMDFC in Maharashtra. Further, from the year 2012-13, the Ministry of Minority Affairs has started implementation of the scheme for "Leadership Development of Minority Women", with an aim to empower and instill confidence in women, by providing knowledge, tools and techniques for interacting with Government systems, banks, and intermediaries at all levels through trainings. To strengthen the mosaic of plurality in the society and bring about solidarity and unity through their own efforts to improve their lot, the scheme permits a mix of women from non-minority communities not exceeding 25% of a project proposal. This scheme is also implemented all over the country including Maharashtra.

(b) Under Vocational training scheme of NMDFC, a total of 5,117 candidates belonging to the minority communities have been imparted training which includes 2,783 women beneficiaries during last four years including current financial year. The State-wise details of the trainees imparted vocational training are at Annexure-I. Further, under the scheme for "Leadership Development of Minority Women", the State-wise, location-wise details of trainings sanctioned for women are at Annexure-II.