

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINORITY AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

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DIRECT CASH TRANSFER FOR SCHOLARSHIP SCHEMES

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

- (a) whether the direct cash transfer on the basis of Aadhaar numbers has been implemented in three scholarship schemes by the Government in selected districts of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of beneficiaries so far opened bank accounts to get the benefit of direct cash transfer under these schemes;
- (d) whether due to non- coverage by Aadhaar, many beneficiaries are unable to get the direct cash transfer; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken or being taken by the Government to give benefits of direct cash transfer to those who are yet to get their Aadhaar numbers?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): No Madam but Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) has been initiated in the two Scholarship Schemes viz; Post-Matric Scholarship Scheme and Merit-cum Means based Scholarship Scheme and one Fellowship Scheme viz; Maulana Azad National Fellowship Scheme in the first phase of DBT taken up in 43 districts of 16 States/UTs of the country. The detail of total number of beneficiaries is as under :

Name of the Scheme	No. of States	No. of Districts	Total no. of beneficiaries with bank account	Total no. of beneficiaries with Aadhaar	Total no. of beneficiaries
Merit cum Means based scholarship scheme	16	43	3538	3538	1343
Post Matric Scholarship Scheme	16	43	46834	46673	19362
Maulana Azad National Fellowship scheme	16	43	77	77	6

(c): The number of beneficiaries so far opened bank accounts to get the benefit of direct cash transfer under these schemes are as:

Scheme Name	Total number of Beneficiaries	Beneficiaries with bank account
Merit cum Means based scholarship scheme	3538	3538
Post Matric Scholarship Scheme	46834	#46673
Maulana Azad National Fellowship scheme	77	77

# This is because online application under Post-Matric Scholarship Scheme was kept optional for classes XI and XII.

(d) & (e): No Madam. Under all the three Schemes of this Ministry identified for Direct Benefit Transfer, payment/transfer of

scholarship/fellowship to the eligible recommended students /candidates is made directly in their bank account by the States/UTs in Post-Matric Scholarship scheme and Merit-cum Means based Scholarship Scheme and by the University Grants Commission (UGC) in Maulana Azad National Fellowship Scheme.

Hence, all transfer of benefits have been made directly in the bank account of the beneficiary by the States/UTs/UGC irrespective of having Aadhaar Number in this financial year i.e. 2012-13. This has been affected electronically.