

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINORITY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5748
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SCHOLARSHIPS TO POOR STUDENTS OF GENERAL CATEGORY
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Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the poor students of general category are eligible for scholarships for the minority communities;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): This Ministry implements three Scholarship Schemes for Educational Empowerment of notified minority communities viz Muslim, Christian, Sikh, Buddhist and Parsis (Zoroastrian) as per section 2 (c) National Commission for Minorities Act,1992. Any student belonging to one of these five notified minority communities, who also comes under General Category, is eligible for Scholarship as per eligibility criteria of these schemes.