

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINORITY AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3585  
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HIGHER EDUCATION OF MINORITY COMMUNITIES  
Ram Shri Purnmasi

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to fully fund the higher education, technical and vocational education for the students of minority communities;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, whether the Government proposes to formulate or has formulated any scheme for meeting all the expenses of such students of minority community intending to pursue higher education; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (d): There is no proposal under consideration to fully fund the higher education, technical and vocational education for the students of minority communities. However, students belonging to minority communities pursuing higher technical and professional courses in the listed Government Institutes are reimbursed full course fee, if selected under the Merit-cum Means based Scholarship Scheme.