

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINORITY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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PROGRAMMES FOR DEVELOPMENT OF MINORITIES

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Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the men and women belonging to minority groups have become more inclined towards literacy as a result of the programmes being run by the Government;
- (b) if so, the percentage increase registered as a result thereof for each of the last three years and the current year;
- (c) the status of implementation of the existing schemes, State-wise;
- (d) whether the actual benefits of these schemes have accrued to the minorities and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor and the complaints/suggestions received so far in respect of such schemes, State-wise; and
- (f) the remedial steps taken/being taken by the Union Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRI MUKHTAR ABBAS NAQVI)

- (a) The educational empowerment schemes being implemented by this Ministry provides financial support to students pursuing regular studies to help them to complete their Education. The objective of these Educational empowerment schemes is not intended for increasing literacy per se.
- (b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.
- (c)&(d) The actual benefits of these schemes have accrued to minority students. The State-wise details of the number of beneficiaries and funds released under these schemes during the last three years and the current year is annexed.
- (e)&(f) Do not arise.