

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINORITY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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SCHEMES FOR UPLIFTMENT OF MINORITIES
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Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the budget allocation and expenditure on schemes for upliftment of minorities in the country is very low and if so, the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether the Union Government proposes to increase the budget allocation for minorities under various schemes and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any requests from State Governments regarding implementation of welfare schemes for minorities including Tamil Nadu is pending with the Union Government; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action proposed to be taken thereon, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (DR. NAJMA A. HEPTULLA)

(a & b) The details of budget allocation and expenditure on schemes for upliftment of minorities, for the last five years, year-wise are given below:

(Rs. in crore)

Year	Budgetary Allocation		Expenditure		% of Utilization with reference to
	Budget	Estimates	Budget	Revised	
	Revised	Estimates	Estimates	Estimates	
2009-10	1740.00	1740.00	1709.41	98.24	98.24
2010-11	2600.00	2500.00	2008.15	77.24	80.33
2011-12	2850.00	2750.00	2283.16	80.11	83.02
2012-13	3135.00	2200.00	2157.98	68.84	98.09
2013-14	3511.00	3111.00	3007.49	85.66	96.67

The main reasons for not utilizing the full allocation are as follows:

Non-submission of viable and adequate proposals by the State Governments/UT Administrations and delay in submission of Utilization Certificates by them.

Promulgation of modal code of conduct due to assembly elections in several States which delayed sanction of funds

Insufficient proposals received from States and UTs especially from North Eastern States.

As a result, the utilized funds for North East had to be surrendered as per the existing provision.

It may be seen from the above that the budgetary allocation on schemes for upliftment of minorities has steadily increased during the last five years.

(c & d) Receipt of proposals from State Governments regarding implementation of welfare schemes for minorities is a continuous process. No proposals from the State Government of Tamil Nadu for implementation of welfare schemes for minorities are pending with this Ministry.