

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINORITY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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ASSISTANCE TO MINORITY COMMUNITY YOUTH
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Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has provided any direct assistance to the unemployed youths belonging to minority community for their self-employment; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the number of beneficiaries during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise?

Answer

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

(a): National Minorities Development and Finance Corporation (NMDFC), a Central Public Sector Enterprise under Ministry of Minority Affairs, extends concessional loans through State Channelising Agencies (SCAs), to the backward sections amongst notified minorities, including unemployed youths from the minority communities, for self-employment and income generating activities. The eligible criteria includes that the annual family income of the candidate should not exceed Rs.81,000/- in Rural Area and Rs.1,03,000/- in the Urban area.

(b): The State-wise details of fund released and number of beneficiaries covered under schemes of NMDFC during the last 3 years and current year is at Annexure.