

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 803
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.11.2019**

Welfare Schemes for Minorities

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Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of schemes implemented and the funds allocated for the welfare of minority communities during the last three years, year-wise; and
- (b) the ratio of the benefit obtained by the minority communities viz., Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists, Jains and Parsis?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS
(SHRI MUKHTAR ABBAS NAQVI)**

- (a) Ministry is implementing the following schemes/ Programmes in the country for the welfare of six centrally notified minorities, namely, Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists, Jains and Parsis.
 - (1) Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme
 - (2) Post-Matric Scholarship Scheme
 - (3) Merit-cum-Means based Scholarship Scheme Since 2015, the scholarship schemes are being implemented through DBT mode to improve the efficiency and bring transparency by removing duplicity and stopping pilferages.
 - (4) Maulana Azad National Fellowship
 - (5) Free coaching and Allied Scheme
 - (6) "Padho Pardes" – Scheme of Interest Subsidy on Educational Loans for Overseas Studies.
 - (7) Support for students clearing Prelims conducted by UPSC, SSC, State Public Service Commission (PSC) etc. (Nai Udaan)

- (8) Jiyo Parsi
- (9) Nai Roshni – Leadership development of minority women to instill confidence.
- (10) Seekho Aur Kamao – Skill Development Initiatives
- (11) Nai Manzil - A World Bank assisted scheme for formal school education & skilling of school dropouts.
- (12) USTTAD (Upgrading the Skills and Training in Traditional Arts/Crafts for Development) by providing a platform to traditional Master Artisans and Craft persons for getting opportunities and market by organising of Hunar Haats.
- (13) Hamari Dharohar - A scheme to preserve rich heritage of Indian Minority Communities under the overall concept of Indian Culture.
- (14) Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakaram (PMJVK) - implemented in Identified Minority Concentration Blocks, Minority Concentration Towns & Clusters of Contiguous Villages for creation of basic infrastructural assets.
- (15) Schemes implemented by Maulana Azad Education Foundation (MAEF)

(a) Begum Hazrat Mahal National Scholarship for Meritorious Girls belonging to the six centrally notified Minorities namely, Muslim, Christian, Sikh, Buddhist, Jain and Parsi.

(b) Gharib Nawaz Employment and Training Programme is currently being implemented effectively for providing short-term job oriented skill development courses to youths belonging to minority communities.

(16) National Minorities Development and Finance Corporation (NMDFC) releases funds for concessional loans and income generating ventures through the State Channelizing Agencies.

The funds allocated for the welfare of Minority communities during last three years, is annexed.

- (b) The ratio of benefit extended to Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, buddhists, Jains and Parsi communities under schemes is not normally maintained by this Ministry. However, ratio under scholarship scheme a flagship programme of the Ministry in the field of educational empowerment of the minorities, is as under: -

	Total Population of Minorities	Pre Matric Ben(No.)	Post Matric Ben(No.)	Merit cum Means Ben(No.)	Total Beneficiaries	Proportionate beneficiaries out of Minorities population
Muslim	172245158	20974526	2645897	451864	24072287	13.98
Christian	27819588	3193073	396388	95175	3684636	13.24
Sikh	20833116	2130441	344440	42286	2517167	12.08
Buddhist	8442972	759126	20464	2549	782139	9.26
Jain	4451753	282410	76243	379444	20791	8.52
Parsi	57264	3283	457	53	3793	6.62
TOTAL	233849851	27342859	3483889	612718	31439466	

Annexure

Ministry of Minority Affairs				
Scheme-wise BE 2016-17, 2017-18 & 2018-19 & 2019-20 (Rs in crore)				
S.No.	Scheme	BE 2017-18	BE 2018-19	BE 2019-20
A.1	EDUCATIONAL EMPOWERMENT -			
1	Pre-Matric Scholarship	950	980	1220.3
2	Post-Matric Scholarship	550	692	496.01
3	Merit-cum-Means	393.54	522	366.43
4	Maulana Azad National Fellowship	100	153	155
5	Interest subsidy on educational loans on overseas studies	8	24	30
6	Free Coaching and Allied schemes	48	74	75
7	Support for students clearing Prelims- UPSC	4	8	20
	Sub-total	2053.54	2453	2362.74
A.2	ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT -			
8	Skill Development Initiative	250	250	250
9	USTTAD (Hunar Haat)	22	30	50
10	Nai Manzil (skill to 8th to 10th)	175.95	140	140
11	Equity of NMDFC	170	165.02	100
	Sub-total	617.95	585.02	540
A.3	SPECIAL INITIATIVES FOR EMPOWERMENT			
12	Leadership development of Minority Women	15	15	15
13	Scheme for Containing Population Decline of Small Minority community	2	4	4
14	Hamari Dharohar -	12	6	8
15	Research/ Studies, Monitoring, Evaluation and Publicity -	50	55	60
	Sub-total	79	80	87
B.	AREA DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES			
16	Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyam	1200	1320	1470
C.	SUPPORT TO INSTITUTIONS			
17	Maulana Azad Education Foundation -	113	125.01	90
18	Grants to SCAs of NMDFC -	2	2	2
19	Quami Waqf Board Tariquatti scheme	13	16.94	17.5
20	Sahari waqf sampati vikas yojana	3.18	3.16	3.16
21	Secretariat -	17.66	19.14	22
22	National Commission for Minorities	8.41	8.62	9.3
23	Commr Linguistic Minorities -	2.74	2.32	2.3
25	Haj CGI Jeddah -	78	76.79	85
	Haj Secretariat -	7	8	9
	Sub-total	244.99	261.98	240.26
	Grand Total	4195.48	4700	4700