

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
**MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS**  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**QUESTION NO 07.03.2011**  
**ANSWERED ON**  
**STRENGTHENING OF STATE WAKF BOARDS .**

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Shri Prabhat Jha

Will the Minister of COALMINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

(a) Whether it is a fact that a scheme to strengthen and improve the conditions of State Wakf Boards had been announced in the budget of 2010-11 by Government and an amount of Rs. 7 crore had been allocated therefor but this scheme has not been started, so far;

(b) If so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) If not, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR THE MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS

(VINCENT H. PALA)

(a) to (c): An amount of Rs. 7 crore was earmarked for the scheme of 'Strengthening of State Waqf Boards' in the budget of the year 2010-11. 'In-principle' approval for the scheme was sought from the Planning Commission and the latter has observed that launching the scheme at the fag end of the XI Plan period is not advisable and that the proposed scheme be comprehensively discussed in the Working Group for the XII Five Year Plan.