GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS

RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 757

ANSWERED ON 10.02.2025

BUDGET ALLOCATION FOR MINORITY AFFAIRS

757. DR. V. SIVADASAN:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the funds allocated to Minorities in the Union Budget during the last five years, yearwise;
- (b) the funds unspent during the last five years, year-wise; and
- (c) the list of schemes discontinued by Government since 2020?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRI KIREN RIJIJU)

(a) & (b): The details of budget allocation and the unspent funds for the Ministry of Minority Affairs during the last five years is as under:-

(Rs. in crore)

S.No.	Year	Budget Allocation	Unspent funds
1.	2019-20	4700.00	194.90
2.	2020-21	4005.00	6.43
3.	2021-22	4346.45	21.21
4.	2022-23	2612.66	1774.98
5.	2023-24	2608.93	1576.28

- (c): The following schemes have been discontinued since 2020:
 - i. Maulana Azad National Fellowship (MANF) Scheme
 - ii. Interest Subsidy on Educational loans for Overseas studies (Padho Pardesh Scheme)
- iii. Free Coaching and allied schemes for Minorities
- iv. Support for students clearing Prelims conducted by UPSC, SSC, State Public Service Commissions etc.
- v. Scheme for Providing Education in Madrasas/Minorities (SPEMM)

All the above schemes have been discontinued with effect from financial year 2022-23.