

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS**

LOK SABHA

**STARRED QUESTION NO.*249
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.08.2017**

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR MARRIAGE OF GIRLS

***249.**

SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to introduce a scheme to offer financial assistance for the marriage of girls who availed Government's scholarship for education in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the salient features of the scheme;
- (c) the number of girls benefited by the Government's scholarship for education in the country, during the last three years and the current year State and UT-wise;
- (d) the total expenditure incurred by the Government on the scholarship for education programme in the country; and
- (e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to provide adequate education to the girls of the minority communities in the country?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF
MINORITYAFFAIRS
(SHRI MUKHTAR ABBAS NAQVI)**

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (e) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. *249 asked by Shri Anto Antony and Shri Prahlad Singh Patel regarding Financial Assistance for Marriage of Girls

(a)&(b): Yes, Madam. The Maulana Azad Education Foundation (MAEF), an autonomous body under the Ministry of Minority Affairs has recently announced the scheme-'ShadiShagun for the beneficiaries of the Begum HazratMahal National (BHMN) Scholarship for meritorious girls belonging to minorities. Under the scheme,the girl students who availed the Begum HazratMahal Scholarship and have continued their education to complete their graduation would be eligible to receive ShadiShagun at the time of their marriage.

(c) to (e): The Ministry of Minority Affairs implements three scholarship schemes viz. Pre-Matric, Post Matric and Merit-cum-Means based Scholarship Schemes for educational empowerment of minority communities pursuing school and higher education as well as technical and professional courses. Besides, it also implements Maulana Azad NationalFellowship for giving Fellowships to minorities pursuing M.Phil and Ph.D. In all these schemes, while there is an earmarking of 30% of Scholarships/Fellowships for girls, in the first two schemes more than half of Scholarships are awarded to the girls.

Further, the MAEF implements the BHMN Scholarship for meritorious girl students (exclusively for girls students) pursuing Class XI-XII (Class IX and X from the year 2017-18 as well).

The details of physical and financial achievement of the Pre-Matric, Post Matric and Merit-cum Means based Scholarship Schemes, Begum HazratMahal National Scholarship for Meritorious Girl Students and Maulana Azad National Fellowship year-wise and state-wise from 2014-15 till date, State and UT-wise are annexed.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTs (c) to (e) OF LOK STABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.*249 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.08.2017 ASKED BY SHRI ANTO ANTONY AND SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL REGARDING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR MARRIAGE OF GIRLS

State-wise Physical and Financial Achievements including Girl beneficiaries under Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme for 2014-15 to 2016-17													
S.No.	States/UTs	2014-15				2015-16*				2016-17**			
		Number of Scholarships awarded	No. of girl beneficiaries	% of girls	Total fund released	Number of Scholarships awarded	No. of girl beneficiaries	% of girls	Total fund released	Number of Scholarships awarded	No. of girl beneficiaries	% of girls	Total fund released
1	Andhra Pradesh	131069	75132	57.32	28.15	155058	81262	52.41	35.40	104531			21.65
2	Telangana	176178	103445	58.72	48.03	214661	117467	54.72	40.63	103562			30.24
3	Arunachal Pradesh	0				0	0	0.00	0.00	0			
4	Assam	132981	71587	53.83	40.98	61325	31951	52.10	22.82	133737			32.44
5	Bihar	122883	11107	9.04		23210	11082	47.75	6.35	57082			11.91
6	Chhattisgarh	19953	10531	52.78	6.61	13363	7177	53.71	3.95	7210			1.57
7	Goa	3350	1928	57.55	0.23	2127	1157	54.40	0.22	0			
8	Gujarat	353933	198113	55.97	52.94	208176	101083	48.56	34.49	100580			22.78
9	Haryana	0				1174	591	50.34	0.19	2218			0.57
10	Himachal Pradesh	3196	1557	48.72	0.78	2477	1296	52.32	0.36	1524			0.25
11	Jammu & Kashmir	389420	198375	50.94	43.36	0	0	0.00	0.00	53312			12.09
12	Jharkhand	28465	15163	53.27	9.46	25797	1806	7.00	7.94	18673			8.80
13	Karnataka	435369	229390	52.69	63.85	467890	242565	51.84	69.83	233250			40.28
14	Kerala	845465	459994	54.41	85.39	521109	290422	55.73	65.45	349713			39.15
15	Madhya Pradesh	104819	45996	43.88	13.36	77054	41573	53.95	11.25	47555			11.89
16	Maharashtra	717896	369456	51.46	75.16	511996	264147	51.59	52.42	267581			28.51
17	Manipur	19364	9596	49.56	6.66	2120	1072	50.57	0.79	3300			1.88
18	Meghalaya	22327	12795	57.31	4.67	1879	996	53.01	0.49	1776			0.44
19	Mizoram	141210	70523	49.94	43.57	52149	22140	42.46	12.55	15237			2.84
20	Nagaland	42836	21785	50.86	13.75	34507	17795	51.57	8.61	16427			4.68
21	Odisha	39610	24400	61.60	3.12	2976	1757	59.04	0.40	0			
22	Punjab	417001	170107	40.79	72.42	428583	188723	44.03	46.43	310459			43.99
23	Rajasthan	253433	125121	49.37	44.98	145135	71108	48.99	30.91	96395			24.46
24	Sikkim	4443	2132	47.99	1.11	2291	1184	51.68	0.53	876			0.20
25	Tamil Nadu	461376	222366	48.20	74.76	406136	216651	53.34	46.01	245146			44.14
26	Tripura	9193	5060	55.04	2.27	6478	3609	55.71	0.99	1			0.00
27	Uttar Pradesh	859667	401544	46.71	155.10	515410	261444	50.73	123.26	410302			132.50
28	Uttarakhand	54051	24583	45.48	9.25	6666	3481	52.22	2.66	13609			3.45
29	West Bengal	1690039	889789	52.65	225.31	1285719	714592	55.58	280.78	516525			63.63
30	Andaman & Nicobar	845	499	59.05	0.13	0	0	0.00	0.00	10			0.01
31	Chandigarh	3319	1630	49.11	0.38	1715	884	51.55	0.18	1840			0.19
32	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	225	107	47.56	0.05	78	35	44.87	0.01	58			0.01
33	Daman & Diu	728	603	82.83	0.23	0	0	0.00	0.00	0			
34	Delhi	9301	5744	61.76	2.35	78	32	41.03	0.02	0			
35	Lakshadweep	0				0	0	0.00	0.00	0			
36	Puducherry	2648	1254	47.36	0.42	1442	749	51.94	0.29	1526			0.34
Total:		7496593	3781412	50.44	1128.81	5178779	2699831	52.13	906.22	3114015			584.90

State-wise and Gender-wise data yet to be reconciled.

* Provisional Data (Source - CGG)

** Data provided by NIC as on 31.3.2017. Disbursement of scholarships continues in 2017.

Note: Online applications are invited for the year 2017-18.

State-wise Physical and Financial Achievements including Girl beneficiaries under Post-Matric Scholarship Scheme for 2014-15 to 2016-17

S.No.	States/UTs	2014-15				2015-16*				2016-17**			
		Number of Scholarships awarded	No. of girl beneficiaries	% of girls	Total fund released	Number of Scholarships awarded	No. of girl beneficiaries	% of girls	Total fund released	Number of Scholarships awarded	No. of girl beneficiaries	% of girls	Total fund released
1	Andhra Pradesh	5176	2534	48.96	3.52	10743	5489	51.09	9.05	11575		9.72	
2	Telangana	11580	7987	68.97	6.98	15421	9536	61.84	11.94	12929		10.38	
3	Arunachal Pradesh					0	0	0.00	0.00				
4	Assam	29893	13154	44.00	21.70	29600	13031	44.02	20.49	27276		17.96	
5	Bihar	42248	21880	51.79	19.49	44162	22378	50.67	22.34	41664		22.40	
6	Chhattisgarh	2657	1765	66.43	1.49	2204	1436	65.15	1.19	1880		1.02	
7	Goa	93	76	81.72	0.05	177	116	65.54	0.11				
8	Gujarat	40574	19632	48.39	21.13	24017	12159	50.63	12.91	16330		9.42	
9	Haryana	721	289	40.08	0.52	2739	1089	39.76	1.84	3341		2.31	
10	Himachal Pradesh	337	188	55.79	0.18	510	261	51.18	0.26	491		0.25	
11	Jammu & Kashmir	15977	8294	51.91	10.00	20602	9880	47.96	11.42	21523		13.14	
12	Jharkhand	12281	6671	54.32	6.81	12173	6044	49.65	6.78	12544		7.98	
13	Karnataka	85830	51308	59.78	53.77	51775	31799	61.42	32.68	28866		18.44	
14	Kerala	94460	52294	55.36	32.80	46703	26294	56.30	21.04	45537		20.85	
15	Madhya Pradesh	10009	6583	65.77	6.68	14309	9259	64.71	8.50	7548		4.53	
16	Maharashtra	56984	33361	58.54	35.24	49766	28690	57.65	23.98	35592		16.33	
17	Manipur	7085	3295	46.51	5.38	2647	1339	50.59	2.07	2623		2.04	
18	Meghalaya	313	81	25.88	0.26	4498	2610	58.03	3.27	1916		1.34	
19	Mizoram	389	165	42.42	0.33	586	339	57.85	0.44	141		0.11	
20	Nagaland	198	103	52.02	0.20	797	471	59.10	0.66	30		0.03	
21	Odisha	3921	1978	50.45	2.59	3430	1721	50.17	2.19				
22	Punjab	83415	52495	62.93	46.88	63801	41221	64.61	31.84	50502		20.87	
23	Rajasthan	39098	17706	45.29	26.91	28437	12977	45.63	19.41	21729		15.43	
24	Sikkim	184	94	51.09	0.14	539	330	61.22	0.24	156		0.07	
25	Tamil Nadu	67385	43293	64.25	39.81	41880	27659	66.04	24.78	29252		16.12	
26	Tripura	757	244	32.23	0.36	1050	413	39.33	0.51	850		0.41	
27	Uttar Pradesh	99852	66052	66.15	65.03	98184	68394	69.66	66.69	36806		26.01	
28	Uttarakhand	1076	599	55.67	0.70	2221	1226	55.20	1.42	2837		2.06	
29	West Bengal	192267	82572	42.95	91.63	92122	40753	44.24	46.63	71921		36.24	
30	Andaman & Nicobar					0	0	0.00	0.00	3		0.00	
31	Chandigarh	222	152	68.47	0.11	257	178	69.26	0.11	253		0.11	
32	Dadra & Nagar Haveli					19	6	31.58	0.01	17		0.01	
33	Daman & Diu					34	24	70.59	0.01				
34	Delhi	522	281	53.83	0.34	1226	606	49.43	0.79				
35	Lakshadweep					0	0	0.00	0.00				
36	Puducherry	116	78	67.24	0.08	211	126	59.72	0.15	277		0.18	
Total:		905620	495204	54.68	501.11	666840	377854	56.66	385.72	486409		275.76	

State-wise and Gender-wise data yet to be reconciled.

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Note: Online applications are invited for the year 2017-18.

State-wise Physical and Financial Achievements including Girl beneficiaries under Merit-cum-Means based Scholarship Scheme for 2014-15 to 2016-17

S. No.	States/UTs	2014-15				2015-16*				2016-17**			
		Number of Scholarships awarded	No. of girl beneficiaries	% of girls	Total fund released	Number of Scholarships awarded	No. of girl beneficiaries	% of girls	Total fund released	Number of Scholarships awarded	No. of girl beneficiaries	% of girls	Total fund released
1	Andhra Pradesh	526	152	28.90	1.52	1174	359	30.58	3.20	1400		3.64	
2	Telangana	1238	340	27.46	3.39	1917	687	35.84	5.24	1722		4.43	
3	Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	0.00	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00				
4	Assam	3886	853	21.95	11.59	4698	1228	26.14	13.60	3718		9.29	
5	Bihar	13393	2529	18.88	38.02	11107	1637	14.74	31.22	8603		23.39	
6	Chhattisgarh	614	249	40.55	1.69	550	197	35.82	1.52	448		1.10	
7	Goa	163	77	47.24	0.41	167	66	39.52	0.42				
8	Gujarat	4821	2189	45.41	11.66	4386	1210	27.59	10.60	3487		8.01	
9	Haryana	1109	337	30.39	2.94	1240	252	20.32	3.30	1065		2.70	
10	Himachal Pradesh	129	63	48.84	0.37	99	49	49.49	0.29	65		0.16	
11	Jammu & Kashmir	6519	2148	32.95	18.23	5784	1573	27.20	16.30	3921		9.63	
12	Jharkhand	1498	193	12.88	4.38	2066	385	18.64	6.23	1750		4.66	
13	Karnataka	19814	5900	29.78	50.26	14728	5755	39.08	36.56	7656		19.46	
14	Kerala	25844	12143	46.99	73.30	22876	13498	59.01	62.57	16070		41.12	
15	Madhya Pradesh	2954	1113	37.68	8.22	2704	906	33.51	7.78	1912		4.83	
16	Maharashtra	5230	1598	30.55	13.93	6526	1983	30.39	17.29	3839		9.79	
17	Manipur	437	198	45.31	1.60	395	188	47.59	1.12				
18	Meghalaya	884	455	51.47	2.66	1068	474	44.38	2.80	850		2.09	
19	Mizoram	0	0	0.00	0.00	96	41	42.71	0.24	240		0.53	
20	Nagaland	1160	503	43.36	3.74	1279	530	41.44	3.47	12		0.03	
21	Odisha	550	114	20.73	1.49	550	130	23.64	1.56				
22	Punjab	10367	5612	54.13	29.50	9008	5508	61.15	24.15	6334		16.03	
23	Rajasthan	2783	652	23.43	7.35	4133	907	21.95	11.30	3472		8.67	
24	Sikkim	78	43	55.13	0.30	83	48	57.83	0.22	16		0.04	
25	Tamil Nadu	5747	2626	45.69	16.01	5294	2614	49.38	14.06	4511		11.28	
26	Tripura	115	17	14.78	0.39	185	40	21.62	0.60	134		0.32	
27	Uttar Pradesh	16861	3821	22.66	45.34	17449	3320	19.03	45.53	5612		14.66	
28	Uttarakhand	577	116	20.10	1.58	690	147	21.30	1.85	557		1.42	
29	West Bengal	10696	1487	13.90	29.38	12190	1772	14.54	32.23	8336		21.17	
30	Andaman & Nicobar	0	0	0.00	0.00	4	2	50.00	0.01				
31	Chandigarh	40	13	32.50	0.11	33	10	30.30	0.09	18		0.05	
32	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	0	0	0.00	0.00	2	0	0.00	0.00				
33	Daman & Diu	4	2	50.00	0.01	4	2	50.00	0.01				
34	Delhi	693	195	28.14	1.81	1042	268	25.72	2.46				
35	Lakshadweep	0	0	0.00	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00				
36	Puducherry	40	21	52.50	0.10	55	38	69.09	0.14	40		0.08	
Total:		138770	45759	32.97	381.27	133582	45824	34.30	357.98#	85788		218.60	

State-wise and Gender-wise data yet to be reconciled.

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Besides, Rs.35.79 crore were also released to 13,229 students against 2014-15 scholarships.

Note: Online applications are invited for the year 2017-18.

Status of Physical Achievement under Maulana Azad National Fellowship during the last three years and the current year (as on 30.06.2017)

S. No.	State/UT	2014-15		No. of Female students	2015-16		No. of Female students	2016-17		No. of Female students	2017-18 *		
		T	A		T	A		T	A		No. of Female students		
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	30	15 *	State-wise data of Female candidates not maintained by UGC, the Implementing Agency	30	16	State-wise data of Female candidates not maintained by UGC, the Implementing Agency	30	15	State-wise data of Female candidates not maintained by UGC, the Implementing Agency	30	State-wise Status of physical achievement is not made available to the Ministry by UGC	State-wise data of Female candidates not maintained by UGC, the Implementing Agency
2	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	4	4		4	4		4	4		4		
3	ASSAM	33	33		33	33		33	33		33		
4	BIHAR	50	50		50	55		50	50		50		
5	CHHATISGARH	4	4		4	4		4	3		4		
6	GOA	4	4		4	4		4	3		4		
7	GUJARAT	23	23		23	22		23	8		23		
8	HARYANA	10	10		10	11		10	10		10		
9	HIMACHAL PRADESH	4	4		4	4		4	4		4		
10	JAMMU & KASHMIR	28	28		28	39		28	80		28		
11	JHARKHAND	19	19		19	19		19	19		19		
12	KARNATAKA	33	33		33	33		33	33		33		
13	KERALA	50	50		50	50		50	52		50		
14	MADHYA PRADESH	24	24		24	23		24	22		24		
15	MAHARASHTRA	62	66		62	60		62	59		62		
16	MANIPUR	4	4		4	4		4	4		4		
17	MEGHALAYA	6	6		6	6		6	6		6		
18	MIZORAM	4	4		4	4		4	4		4		
19	NAGALAND	6	6		6	6		6	6		6		
20	ORISSA	10	10		10	8		10	3		10		
21	PUNJAB	54	54		54	52		54	54		54		
22	RAJASTHAN	25	25		25	25		25	26		25		
23	SIKKIM	4	4		4	4		4	4		4		
24	TAMIL NADU	29	29		29	31		29	33		29		
25	TRIPURA	4	4		4	4		4	0		4		
26	UTTAR PRADESH	111	114		111	111		111	110		111		
27	UTTRAKHAND	4	4		4	4		4	4		4		
28	WEST BENGAL	80	84		80	79		80	79		80		
29	ANDAMAN & NICOBAR	4	1		4	1		4	0		4		
30	CHANDIGARH	4	4		4	4		4	1		4		
31	DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI	4	X		4	0		4	0		4		
32	DAMAN & DIU	4	X		4	0		4	0		4		
33	DELHI	13	13		13	17		13	9		13		
34	LAKSHADWEEP	4	4		4	0		4	0		4		
35	PUDUCHERRY	4	4		4	4		4	3		4		
36	Telangana		15			15			15				
Grand Total		756	756	464	756	756	471	756	756	329	756	756	

*50% slots from Andhra Pradesh to Telangana State.

T= Target A= Achievement , * Allotment for 2017-18 yet to be made.

MAULANA AZAD EDUCATION FOUNDATION
(MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS, GOVT. OF INDIA)
Summary of State-wise/Amount-wise Sanction of Scholarship during the last four years

Sl. No.	Name of State/UTs	(Amount Rs. in Lakh)									
		2013-14		2014-15		2015-16		2016-17 (Provisional Data)		Total for 4 Years	
		No. of Girls	Amount Sanctioned	No. of Girls	Amount Sanctioned	No. of Girls	Amount Sanctioned	No. of Girls	Amount Sanctioned	No. of Girls	Amount Sanctioned
1	ANDAMAN & NICOBAR	7	0.84	8	0.96	2	0.24	9	1.08	26	3.12
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	1851	222.12	2394	287.28	1388	166.56	601	72.12	6234	748.08
3	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	0	0	0	0.00	2	0.24	15	1.80	17	2.04
4	ASSAM	1546	185.52	2457	294.84	2332	279.84	1136	136.32	7471	896.52
5	BIHAR	3442	413.04	4563	547.56	4514	541.68	1109	133.08	13628	1635.36
6	CHANDIGARH	7	0.84	11	1.32	9	1.08	1	0.12	28	3.36
7	CHATTISGARH	40	4.8	17	2.04	18	2.16	10	1.20	85	10.20
8	DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI	0	0	0	0.00	0	0.00	1	0.12	1	0.12
9	DAMAN & DIU	4	0.48	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	4	0.48
10	DELHI	422	50.64	546	65.52	552	66.24	434	52.08	1954	234.48
11	GOA	2	0.24	5	0.60	10	1.20	3	0.36	20	2.40
12	GUJARAT	1168	140.16	1517	182.04	1570	188.40	318	38.16	4573	548.76
13	HARYANA	35	4.2	85	10.20	32	3.84	16	1.92	168	20.16
14	HIMACHAL PRADESH	1	0.12	7	0.84	2	0.24	3	0.36	13	1.56
15	JAMMU & KASHMIR	179	21.48	103	12.36	466	55.92	931	111.72	1679	201.48
16	JHARKHAND	1025	123	1312	157.44	1109	133.08	514	61.68	3960	475.20
17	KARNATAKA	2014	241.68	2681	321.72	2729	327.48	4367	524.04	11791	1414.92
18	KERALA	4760	571.2	5899	707.88	6827	819.24	5944	713.28	23430	2811.60
19	LAKSHADWEEP	0	0	0	0.00	0	0.00	1	0.12	1	0.12
20	MADHYA PRADESH	975	117	1266	151.92	1062	127.44	372	44.64	3675	441.00
21	MAHARASHTRA	2928	351.36	4151	498.12	4001	480.12	4090	490.80	15170	1820.40
22	MANIPUR	114	13.68	199	23.88	62	7.44	100	12.00	475	57.00
23	MEGHALAYA	10	1.2	16	1.92	170	20.40	8	0.96	204	24.48
24	MIZORAM	0	0	0	0.00	1	0.12	0	0.00	1	0.12
25	NAGALAND	6	0.72	21	2.52	2	0.24	26	3.12	55	6.60
26	ODISHA	165	19.8	253	30.36	301	36.12	171	20.52	890	106.80
27	PUDUCHERY	20	2.4	26	3.12	16	1.92	39	4.68	101	12.12
28	PUNJAB	150	18	253	30.36	250	30.00	129	15.48	782	93.84
29	RAJASTHAN	923	110.76	1089	130.68	1343	161.16	794	95.28	4149	497.88
30	SIKKIM	0	0	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
31	TAMIL NADU	2509	301.08	3200	384.00	4077	489.24	961	115.32	10747	1289.64
32	TELANGANA	0	0	0	0	891	106.92	2385	286.20	3276	393.12
33	TRIPURA	0	0	0	0.00	1	0.12	3	0.36	4	0.48
34	UTTAR PRADESH	7939	952.68	10434	1252.08	11181	1341.72	7979	957.48	37533	4503.96
35	UTTARAKHAND	191	22.92	282	33.84	433	51.96	319	38.28	1225	147.00
36	WEST BENGAL	2726	327.12	2631	315.72	2647	317.64	693	83.16	8697	1043.64
	TOTAL	35159	4219.08	45426	5451.12	48000	5760.00	33482	4017.84	162067	19448.04