

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 492
ANSWERED ON 19.07.2017**

SEEKHO AUR KAMAO SCHEME

492. SHRI ABHISHEK SINGH:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of the Seekho Aur Kamao Scheme being implemented in the country including Chhattisgarh State;
- (b) the details of the funds sanctioned, released and allocated under this scheme during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (c) whether the Government has achieved the target set under this scheme;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the number of women trained and the details of the training and post-training support provided under this programme; and
- (e) the action/steps taken by the Government to meet the increasing demand?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF
MINORITY AFFAIRS**

(SHRI MUKHTAR ABBAS NAQVI)

(a) to (b): The scheme "Seekho aur Kamao (Learn and Earn)" is a placement linked skill development scheme, implemented by the Ministry of Minority Affairs through selected Project Implementing Agencies (PIAs) all over the country including Chhattisgarh. The details of funds allocated and released under the scheme during last three years and the current year are as follows:

(Rs. in crore)

Year	Budgetary Allocation (BE)	Revised Estimates (RE)	Fund released
2014-15	35.00	46.23	46.21
2015-16	67.45	192.45	191.96
2016-17	210.00	210.00	204.93
2017-18	250.00	-	0.12

(c) to (d): During 2014-15 and 2015-16, Ministry has achieved the targets . The details are as under:

Year	Targets (No. of trainees)	Number of trainees sanctioned	%age of women/girls trained
2014-15	20,000	20,720	45%
2015-16	1,13,000	1,23,330	58%
2016-17	1,15,000	53,240	59%

*The training is continuing after introduction of Common Norms by MSDE.

Further, as per scheme guidelines, 33% seats are earmarked for minority girls. Under the scheme training is provided to minority youth in modern as well as traditional trades. The emphasis of the scheme is on wage employment in modern trades whereas in traditional trades, youth are collectivize into Self Help Groups (SHGs) and assisted in development of business plan proposal for raising funds for the SHG. Post Placement Support of Rs. 2,000/- per trainee per month for 2 months are provided to the placed trainees.

(e) : The Government is encouraging employment based skills training and extending the schemes across the country to meet growing demand by initiating proposals from PIAs from time to time.
