

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 874
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.12.2017**

MARRIAGE AID PROGRAMME

874. SHRI KUNWAR BHARATENDRA:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is implementing the Marriage Aid Programme to provide financial assistance to women who have availed of the Ministry's education scholarship; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a & b): Maulana Azad Education Foundation (MAEF), a society working under the aegis of Ministry of Minority Affairs, has formulated a plan to provide one time assistance of Rs.51,000/- as 'Shadi Shagun' to the beneficiaries of the Begum Hazrat Mahal National Scholarship scheme who continue their studies after Class XII up to graduation. This scheme would incentivize girl students to continue higher education studies.
