GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION Q. NO. 3015 TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.03.2018

FREE COACHING FACILITIES

3015. SHRI RADHESHYAM BISWAS: SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH JAUNAPURIA:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is providing free coaching facilities to the students belonging to minority communities in the country including North Eastern States;
- (b) if so, the number of coaching centres where coaching is provided to such students;
- (c) the amount allocated by the Government to the coaching centres for this purpose during each of the last three years, and the current year;
- (d) whether the objective of free coaching scheme has been achieved;
- (e) whether the Government has any proposal to provide free hostel facility for the minority students under free coaching scheme; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRI MUKHTAR ABBAS NAQVI)

- (a): Yes, Madam. Ministry of Minority Affairs has been implementing a scheme namely "Free Coaching and Allied Scheme for the candidates/students belonging to minority communities" all over the country including North Eastern States, under which free coaching is provided to students belonging to six notified minority communities through selected/empanelled coaching institutions/organisations for preparation of qualifying examinations for admission in technical/ professional courses and competitive examinations for recruitment to Group 'A', 'B' and 'C' services and other equivalent posts under the Central and State governments including public sector undertakings, banks, insurance companies etc.
- (b) to (d) :Under the scheme, total 158 coaching institutions/organizations scattered all over the country were empanelled for implementation of the scheme during Financial Years 2013-14 to 2016-17. The details of physical target alongwith achievement and funds released to the various coaching institutions/organizations under the scheme during last three financial years and current financial year is annexed.

(e) & (f): Under the Scheme, a 'New Component' of two years residential coaching programme was introduced/launched on pilot basis in 10 states for minority students studying in class XI and XII with science subjects for focussed preparation of Medical/Engineering entrance examinations. The Scheme has now been revised effective from 7.12.2017 having provisions for implementation of the 'New Component' on Pan India basis for benefit of the minority students. Also one year residential coaching programme for the same purpose has been added in the scheme for the students who have passed 12th class with science subjects to facilitate their preparation for qualifying examinations for admission in technical/professional courses. Apart from this, residential coaching programme for composite preparation exclusively for civil services aspirants has also been added in the scheme.

Under these coaching programmes free residential facilities are provided to the beneficiaries through selected coaching institutions/organisations and for other coaching programmes which are non residential, stipend amount @ Rs. 2500/- per month will be provided to the students selected for coaching under the scheme.

Annexure referred in reply to parts (b) to (d) of the LS USQ No. 3015 dated 14.03.2018

Financial years	Target (No. of beneficiaries)	Achievement (No. of beneficiaries)	No. of organizations/institutes to whom grants was released	Amount of funds released (Rs. in crore)
2014-15	7000	8168	100	31.49
2015-16	7000	16427	61	44.47
2016-17	7000	8110	50	40.00
2017-18 (as on 28.02.2018)	9000	11169	51	36.90
Total	30000	43874	262	152.86