

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3029  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.03.2018**

**NAI UDAAN SCHEME**

**3029: SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN**

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Nai Udaan scheme is being implemented in the State of Maharashtra;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the salient features of the scheme;
- (c) the number of beneficiaries from the State of Maharashtra who have benefitted from the scheme since its inception, year-wise and community-wise; and
- (d) whether the representation of minority communities in the civil services has improved compared to the ratio of their population in the State of Maharashtra and if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. This Ministry is implementing a scheme namely “Nai Udaan – Support for minority students clearing prelims conducted by Union Public Service Commission, State Public Service Commissions and Staff Selection Commission” under which financial support is provided to the candidates of notified minority community who have cleared preliminary examinations conducted by Union Public Service Commission, State Public Service Commissions and Staff Selection Commission for preparation of main examinations. The salient features of the scheme are as under:-

- Financial support is provided directly to the candidate through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) mode.
- Total family income of the candidates from all sources should not exceed Rs. 6.0 lakh per annum.
- The financial support can be availed by a candidate only once. The candidate will not be eligible to benefit from any other similar Scheme of the Central or State Governments /UT Administrations.
- Physical target under the scheme is 2000 candidates a year.

- The rate of financial assistance is Rs. 1,00,000/- for UPSC ( Civil Services exams), Rs.50,000/-for State PSCs Exams ( Gazetted Post) ; and Rs 25,000/- for Staff Selection Commission ( Combined Graduate Level ) Exams for Non- Gazetted Post.

Detailed Scheme guideline is available on the website of this Ministry i.e. [www.minorityaffairs.gov.in](http://www.minorityaffairs.gov.in).

(c): The details of year-wise and community-wise number of beneficiaries from the State of Maharashtra who have been benefitted under the scheme since its inception are as under:-

Name of Community	No. of beneficiaries				
	F. Y. 2013-14	F. Y. 2014-15	F.Y. 2015-16	F. Y. 2016-17	F.Y. 2017-18
Muslims	14	9	16	13	11
Christians	1	2	-	-	-
Sikhs	-	-	-	-	-
Buddhists	1	3	2	2	4
Jains	-	-	-	17	5
Parsis		7	7	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>20</b>

(d): State-wise data is not maintained.

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