## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION Q. NO. 4250 TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.03.2018

#### FREE COACHING FOR CIVIL SERVICES EXAMINATIONS

#### 4250. SHRIMATI VASANTHI M.:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has tied up with educational institutions to provide free coaching to minority students taking civil services examinations; and
- (b) 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" under which free coaching is provided to students belonging to six notified minority communities through selected 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. A new residential coaching programme for composite preparation exclusively for Civil Services aspirants has been added in the scheme w.e.f. 07.12.2017.

In addition to the above, this Ministry is also implementing a scheme namely "Nai Udaan" 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.

(b) The Scheme has been revised w.e.f. 7.12.2017 and process for fresh empanelment of coaching institutions/organizations for the remaining period of 14<sup>th</sup> Finance commission i.e. 2017-18 to 2019-20 has already been initiated by the Ministry.

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