

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5480  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.03.2018**

**Details of Schemes for Minority Development’.**

**5480. SHRI D.S. RATHOD :**

Will the Minister of **MINORITY AFFAIRS** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any details of the schemes for minority development; and
- (b) if so, the details of the education and economic aid provided under these schemes during the last three years?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) & (b): This Ministry is implementing the following Schemes/Programmes in the country for the welfare of six centrally notified minorities, namely, Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists, Parsis and Jains:-

- (1) Multi-sectoral Development Programme (MsDP) - implemented in identified Minority Concentration Blocks, Minority Concentration Towns & Clusters of Contiguous Villages for infrastructure development.
- (2) Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme, Post-Matric Scholarship Scheme and Merit-cum-Means based Scholarship Scheme – for educational empowerment of students belonging to the notified minority communities.
- (3) Maulana Azad National Fellowship – Provide fellowships in the form of financial assistance to students from notified minority communities.
- (4) “Naya Savera” Free coaching and Allied Scheme - to enhance skills and knowledge of students and candidates from minority communities to get employment.
- (5) Padho Pardes – Scheme of Interest Subsidy on Educational Loans for Overseas Studies.

- (6) Nai Udaan - Support for students clearing Prelims conducted by UPSC, SSC, State Public Service Commission (PSC) etc.
- (7) JiyoParsi – Scheme for containing population decline of Parsis in India.
- (8) Nai Roshni – Scheme for leadership development of Minority Women.
- (9) Seekho Aur Kamao – Skill development initiative for minorities.
- (10) Nai Manzil – A scheme for formal school education & skilling of school dropouts.
- (11) USTTAD - Upgrading the Skills and Training in Traditional Arts/Crafts for Development.
- (12) Hamari Dharohar - A scheme to preserve rich heritage of minority Communities under the overall concept of Indian Culture.
- (13) Grants-in-Aid to Maulana Azad Education Foundation (MAEF) for implementation of education and skill related schemes:-
  - (a) Grants-in-Aid to NGOs/Trust/Society
  - (b) Begum Hazrat Mahal National Scholarship for Meritorious Girls belonging to the Minorities
  - (c) Gharib Nawaz Skill Development Training for providing short-term job oriented skill development courses to youths belonging to minority communities.
- (14) Equity to National Minorities Development and Finance Corporation (NMDFC) for providing concessional loans to minorities for self-employment and income generating ventures.

The details of the schemes including funds allocated/released/spent and the achievements during each of the last three years and the current year in respect of the schemes at serial No. (1) to (12) are available on the website of this Ministry ([www.minorityaffairs.gov.in](http://www.minorityaffairs.gov.in)), the one at serial No.(13) are available on the website of MAEF ([www.maef.nic.in](http://www.maef.nic.in)) and at serial No. 14 are available on the website of NMDFC ([www.nmdfc.org](http://www.nmdfc.org)).

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