GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS LOK SABHA STARRRED QUESTION NO. *308 TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.08.2018

Multi-Sectoral Development Programme

*308. SHRI RAMAN DEKA

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of fund allocation under the Multi-Sectoral Development Programme (MSDP) in Assam during the last three years in general and particularly in Nalbari, Kamrup, Barrau and Udalguri districts of Assam; and
- (b) whether the Government has any new proposal to educate the girl children of minority communities of Assam and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRI MUKHTAR ABBAS NAQVI)

(a) &(b): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

<u>Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) & (b) of LokSabha Starred Question No. *308 asked by Shri Ramen Deka, Member of Parliament regarding Multi-Sectoral Development Programme.</u>

(a): The funds approved for allocation under Multi-Sectoral Development Programme(MSDP) for the State of Assam and for Kamrup, Nalbari and Udalguri district for the last three years is as below:-

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl.No	State/District	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
1	Assam State	19632.06	39345.88	57506.8
2	Kamrup District	1498.87	4316.86	2738.42
3	Nalbari District	1183.44	1656.94	2738.42
4	Udalguri District	482.73	204.18	2738.42

There is no district called Barrau in Assam.

(b) The Government has recently approved the restructured Multi-sectoral Development Programmecalled the "Pradhan Mantri Jan VikasKaryakaram(PMJVK)" for implementation during the remaining period of 14th Finance Commission. The number of identified Minority Concentration Areas(MCAs) under MsDP in the State of Assam were 119 falling in 17 districts which has been increased to 141 MCAs falling in 20 Districts in restructured programme called the Pradhan Mantri Jan VikasKaryakram leading to larger coverage of beneficiaries. PMJVK provides that 80% of the resources willbe utilized for projects related to sectors of education, health and skill and at least 33-40% of this will be utilized for facilities and assets that benefit women/girls. For the State of Assam, the Ministry has approved 254 School Buildings and 21 Residential Schools in the identified Minority Concentration Areas. Out of the 21 Residential Schools sanctioned during 2017-18, 02 units are exclusively for girls. The other schools/residential schools will also have provisions to educate girl children as day scholars. In addition, the Ministry is also implementing Pre-matric, Post Matric and Merit-cum-Means schemes for minorities with 30% earmarking for girls. The actual grant for girls, however, is much more than 30% in all the scheme. The Maulana Azad Education Foundation (MAEF), an autonomous body under the Ministry of Minority Affairs, is also implementing the BegamHazratMahal National Scholarship Scheme exclusively for Minority girl students studying in Class IX to XII.

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