

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.79
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.07.2018**

Welfare Scheme for Minorities

79. SHRI PINAKI MISRA:

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

- (a) whether the Government has come up with any new welfare schemes for the minority section of the society;
- (b) if so, the details of the schemes that have been exclusively initiated in the last four years; and
- (c) the quantum of fund allocated for each of the schemes and the percentage of funds utilized in the past three years till 30th June, 2018?

ANSWER

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

(a)& (b): The Government has initiated the following new welfare schemes for the minority sections of the society during the last four years:-

- (1) Nai Manzil – A scheme for formal school education & skilling of school dropouts.
- (2) USTTAD (Upgrading the Skills and Training in Traditional Arts/Crafts for Development) Scheme. Hunar Haat is also being organised under this Scheme from 2016-17 to further promote traditional crafts/arts, employment generation and strengthen their market linkages. Till 2017-18, 06 Hunar Haats have been organized successfully. For 2018-19, 07 Hunar Haats are proposed for being organised.
- (3) Hamari Dharohar – Implementation of this scheme is done to preserve rich heritage of minority communities under the overall concept of Indian Culture.
- (4) Gharib Nawaz Skill Development Training for Minorities – A scheme to provide short-term job oriented skill development courses to youths belonging to 06 Centrally notified minority communities, namely, Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists, Parsis and Jains {implemented through Maulana Azad Education Foundation (MAEF)}.
- (5) Bridge Course for madarsa students & school dropouts by Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh and Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi under Nai Manzil scheme. (implemented through MAEF).
- (6) Swachh Vidyalaya (implemented through MAEF).

The details of the schemes at serial No. (1) to (3) are available on the website of this Ministry (www.minorityaffairs.gov.in) and those at serial No.(4) to (6) are available on the website of MAEF (www.maef.nic.in).

(c): The details of quantum of fund allocated for each of the schemes and the percentage of funds utilized in the last three years till 30th June, 2018 are available on the website of the Ministry at www.minorityaffairs.gov.in.