

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
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Schemes for Minority people

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

- (a) the details of number of schemes launched for minority people in all over the country;
- (b) the details of number of programmes launched in medical and education field during the last two years, State-wise; and
- (c) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (c): This Ministry has implemented various schemes/programmes for social, economic and educational empowerment of the six (6) centrally notified minority communities namely, Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists, Parsis and Jains. These schemes/programmes in brief are as under:-

- (1) Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme, Post-Matric Scholarship Scheme, Merit-cum-Means based Scholarship Scheme - For educational empowerment of students.
- (2) Maulana Azad National Fellowship Scheme - Provide fellowships in the form of financial assistance.
- (3) Naya Savera - Free Coaching and Allied Scheme - To enhance skill and knowledge of students and candidates for employment through

competitive examinations and admission in technical and professional courses.

- (4) Padho Pardesh - Scheme of interest subsidy on educational loans for overseas higher studies.
- (5) Nai Udaan - Support for students clearing Prelims conducted by UPSC, SSC, State Public Service Commission (PSC) etc.
- (6) Nai Roshni - Leadership development of minority women.
- (7) Seekho Aur Kamao - Skill development scheme for youth from 14 - 35 years of age and aims to improve employability of existing workers, school dropouts etc.
- (8) USTTAD (Upgrading the Skills and Training in Traditional Arts/Crafts for Development)
- (9) Nai Manzil - A scheme for formal school education & skilling of school dropouts.
- (10) Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK) earlier known as MsDP - Implemented in identified Minority Concentration Areas for creation of assets in education, skill and health sectors.
- (11) Jiyo Parsi - Scheme for containing population decline of Parsis in India.
- (12) Hamari Dharohar - A scheme to preserve rich heritage of minority communities of india 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 youth 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.

Details including performance of the schemes are available on the website www.minorityaffairs.gov.in. There is no specific scheme in the medical field.
