

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2751
ANSWERED ON 22.12.2022

PRE-MATRIC SCHOLARSHIPS TO MINORITIES

2751. SHRI RAVIKUMAR D.:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to increase the amount for pre-matric scholarships to Minorities and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of the number of students awarded pre-matric scholarships from 2013 to 2021, year/ religion-wise; and
- (c) whether the Government proposes to stop the pre-matric scholarship scheme and if so, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS
(SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a): The process of Scheme revision is a continuous process and various aspects, including revision of the income criteria under the Scholarship Schemes, are looked into by the Ministry during such processes.

(b): The year-wise and religion-wise details of the number of students awarded Pre-matric scholarships from 2013-14 to 2021-22 is provided in the Table below:

Number of Scholarships awarded under Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme during 2013-14 to 2021-22						
Year	Buddhist	Christian	Jain	Muslim	Sikh	Parsi
2013-14	262159	829602	0	6301184	398508	2737
2014-15	234243	894877	41602	5869697	455335	839
2015-16	160741	583530	53310	3947260	433532	406
2016-17	61863	561447	61130	3072462	395909	713
2017-18	141105	590195	61623	4068709	448672	953
2018-19	170892	613651	67106	4418314	421037	854
2019-20	183965	682322	65561	4156104	479171	902
2020-21	159266	661410	51748	3913963	453020	557
2021-22	187002	727011	56691	4231712	507578	795

(c): No, Sir.
