

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 31
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WELFARE SCHEMES FOR DEVELOPMENT OF MINORITY COMMUNITIES

31. SHRIMATI SUMALATHA AMBAREESH:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of the welfare schemes introduced by the Government for the development of minority during the last five years;
- (b) the allocation of funds for each of the said schemes during the said period, year-wise;
- (c) the total number of beneficiaries in each of the said schemes during the said period, year-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has received any representation to increase the allocation for the welfare schemes to benefit more people; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof;

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS
(SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) The Government has implemented various schemes for the welfare and upliftment of every strata, including minorities, specially the economically weaker and lesser privileged sections of the society, through various schemes of the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, Ministry of Textiles, Ministry of Culture, Ministry of Women and Child Development and Ministry of Rural Development.

Ministry of Minority Affairs specifically implements various schemes across the country for socio-economic and educational empowerment of the six (6) centrally notified minority communities. The schemes/programmes implemented by the Ministry during last five years are as under:

(A) Educational Empowerment Schemes

- (1) Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme
- (2) Post-Matric Scholarship Scheme
- (3) Merit-cum-Means based Scholarship Scheme

(B) Employment and Economic Empowerment Schemes

- (4) Pradhan Mantri Virasat Ka Samvardhan (PMVIKAS)

(5) Equity to National Minorities Development and Finance Corporation (NMDFC) for providing concessional loans to minorities.

(C) Special Schemes

(6) Jiyo Parsi: A scheme for reversing the population decline of Parsis in India.

(7) Qaumi Waqf Board Taraqqiati Scheme (QWBTS) and Shahari Waqf Sampatti Vikas Yojana (SWSVY).

(D) Infrastructure Development Schemes

(8) Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK)

(b) & (c): Scheme- wise and year-wise details of funds allocated (RE) and number of beneficiaries during the last five years w.e.f. 2016-17 to 2021-22 are available on the website of the Ministry i.e. www.minorityaffairs.gov.in.

(d) & (e): Budgetary allocation of Schemes being implemented by Ministry of Minority Affairs are assessed from time to time and accordingly allocation is made under the schemes as per requirement. Since 2014-15 to 2022-23, allocation under the schemes being implemented by the Ministry has been increased from Rs. 3711.00 crore to Rs. 5020.50 crore.
