GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3852 ANSWERED ON 23.03.2023

UPLIFTMENT OF MINORITIES

3852. SHRI B. B. PATIL:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of schemes being introduced for upliftment of the minorities and to improve their upliftment of the minorities and to improve their quality of living standards along with the budget allocated for the said purpose during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) whether scholarships have been provided to minority students during the said period and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the quantum of funds allocated and expenditure incurred under various schemes along with the number of beneficiaries therein, State/UT-wise including Telangana and Maharashtra?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) & (b) The Government implements 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)

The year-wise details of budget allocation for the Ministry of Minority Affairs are given as under:

(Rs. in crore)

Year	Budget Estimate (BE)
2020-21	5029.00
2021-22	4810.77
2022-23	5020.50
2023-24	3097.60

(c) Yes, Sir. Scheme- wise and year-wise details of funds allocated and number of beneficiaries during the last three years and current year are available on the website of the Ministry i.e. www.minorityaffairs.gov.in.
