GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2411 ANSWERED ON 03.08.2023

Naya Savera Scheme

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Will the Minister of Minority Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) the salient features of the Naya Savera Scheme;
- (b) the number of minority students benefitted under the said scheme in the country, State/UT-wise including Andhra Pradesh;
- (c) the details of physical targets set and achieved under the said scheme during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise; and
- (d) the reasons for the provision of coaching for the period ranging from 3-9 months only for a student belonging to the economically weaker section of minority communities?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

- (a) The Ministry implemented 'Naya Savera' scheme ('Free Coaching and Allied' scheme) to assist students/candidates belonging to the six notified minority communities namely Sikh, Jain, Muslim, Christian, Buddhist and Parsi by way of special coaching for qualifying examinations for admission in technical/professional courses and competitive examination for recruitment to Group Á, 'B', & 'C' services and other equivalent posts under the Central and State Governments including public sector undertakings, banks and railways. The scheme was implemented across the country through empaneled Project Implementing Agencies (PIAs).
- (b) & (c) Since inception, 1,19,223 minority students/candidates have been benefited under Naya Savera Scheme, out of which 12,155 beneficiaries were from state of Andhra Pradesh. The details of physical achievement during last three years are given below:

Year	Number of students allocated
2019-2020	9,580
2020-2021	5,300
2021-2022	5,090

State-wise details of minority students benefited under the scheme is available on the website of Ministry www.minorityaffairs.gov.in.

(d) The duration of the coaching period under the scheme were from 3 months to 2 years depending upon the coaching programme allocated to the PIAs. The scheme has been discontinued w.e.f. 2022-23.
