

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †2321
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.03.2020**

SCHOLARSHIP SCHEMES FOR MINORITY STUDENTS

**†2321. SHRI DEEPAK BAIJ:
SHRIMATI MANEKA SANJAY GANDHI:
SHRI SHYAM SINGH YADAV:**

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of scholarships given to minority communities by the Ministry under pre-matric, post-matric and merit-cum-means during the last three years, community-wise;
- (b) whether the Government allows SC/ST communities to avail post-matric scholarships while joining courses under the management quota in self financing educational institutions and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the number of students belonging to minority community given scholarship to ensure that they get education without any hurdles during the last six years; and
- (d) the details of scholarship amount given to the students and the dates on which it was increased?

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

(a): The details of Pre-Matric, Post Matric and Merit-cum-Means scholarships given to minority communities by the Ministry of Minority Affairs during the last three years, community-wise, are as follows:

Year	Buddhist	Christian	Jain	Muslim	Parsi	Sikh
Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme						
2017-18	131419	539847	59317	3718345	544	424748
2018-19*	170892	613651	67106	4418314	854	421037
2019-20*	175939	565117	61015	2888448	228	419985
Post Matric Scholarship Scheme						
2017-18	3743	73814	14603	471057	64	58040
2018-19*	5192	87602	15244	514831	151	61245
2019-20*	3099	68936	12620	351911	35	53565
Merit-cum-Means based Scholarship Scheme						
2017-18	583	17899	3096	88406	11	6457
2018-19*	495	19035	3335	90731	12	4163
2019-20*	202	16105	2482	65521	6	2837
* - Provisional Data. Disbursement of Scholarship for 2018-19 and 2019-20 continues.						

(b) Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment has stated that students admitted under management quota are not eligible for benefits under Post-Matric Scholarship Schemes for SCs. In so far as, ST students are concerned, Ministry of Tribal Affairs has stated that Scholarship is given for the study of all recognized Post Matriculation Post secondary course pursued in recognized institutions with the following exceptions:-

Scholarships are not awarded for training courses like Aircraft Maintenance Engineer's Courses and Private Pilot License courses, course at Training-Ship Duffering (Now Rajendra), course of training at the Military College, Dehradun and courses at pre-examination training centers of all India and Star Levels."

(c) & (d): The number of students belonging to minority communities given scholarship and the amount sanctioned/released during the last six years are as follows:

2014-15 to 2019-20 (As on 02.03.2020)		
Scheme Name	Physical	Financial (in Rs. crore)
Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme	31505702	6068.44
Post Matric Scholarship Scheme	3993202	2360.02
Merit-cum-Means based Scholarship Scheme	715586	1920.62

The rates of Scholarships under all three Scholarship schemes for Minorities have remained same during the aforesaid years.
