

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1939**

**TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.09.2020**

**MINORITY STUDENT BENEFICIARIES OF SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMMES**

**1939. SHRI KARTI P. CHIDAMBARAM:**

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of minority student beneficiaries of Central educational scholarship programmes during the last three years, programme and State-wise;
- (b) the number of minority beneficiaries of Central employment-oriented skill development programmes during the last three years, programme and State-wise;
- (c) the number of beneficiaries of the Maulana Azad National Fellowship during the last three years, State-wise;
- (d) whether the Government is considering any new educational programmes for students of minority groups and if so, details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government recognises concerns that minority students may suffer to a great extent as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and lockdown; and
- (f) if so, the measures taken to redress the situation and if not, reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

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

- (a) Ministry of Minority Affairs implements three scholarships schemes namely Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme, Post-Matric Scholarship Scheme and Merit-cum-Means based Scholarship Scheme for educational empowerment of minority students. Besides, Maulana Azad Education Foundation an autonomous body under the administrative control of Ministry also implements Begum Hazrat Mahal National Scholarship Scheme for Meritorious Girls belonging to the economically weaker sections of Minorities. Details of minority students benefitted under the above mentioned Scholarship Schemes during last three years are given at **Annexure A**.
- (b) This Ministry implements following schemes related to skill development of minorities:

- (i) Seekho Aur Kamao - Skill development scheme for youth of 14 - 35 years age group and aiming at improving the employability of existing workers, school dropouts etc.
- (ii) Nai Manzil - A scheme for formal school education & skilling of school dropouts launched in Aug. 2015.
- (iii) USTTAD (Upgrading the Skills and Training in Traditional Arts/Crafts for Development) - Launched in May 2015 aims to preserve rich heritage of traditional skills of indigenous artisans/craftsmen. Under this scheme Hunnar Haats are also held all over the country to provide nation-wide marketing platform to Minority artisans & entrepreneurs and to create employment opportunities. During the last three years 7560 persons have benefitted from the Scheme.
- (iv) Gharib Nawaz Employment Scheme started in 2017-18 by MAEF for providing short term job oriented skill development training to minority youth.

The above schemes are implemented through implementing agencies empanelled under the respective schemes/programmes and there are no state-wise allocations or beneficiary targets. Information of State/UT wise number of beneficiaries under the Seekho aur Kamao, Nai Manzil and Gharib Nawaz Employment Schemes for the last three years is at **Annexure B**.

- (c) Maulana Azad National Fellowship Scheme provide fellowships in the form of financial assistance to minority students. State-wise details of beneficiaries of the Maulana Azad National Fellowship during the last three years is at **Annexure C**.

The details of all the above schemes mentioned in replies to parts (a) to (c) are available at website of ministry i.e. [www.minorityaffairs.gov.in/](http://www.minorityaffairs.gov.in/) [www.maef.nic.in](http://www.maef.nic.in).

- (d) No Sir. There is no proposal for any new educational programmes for students of minority under consideration in the Ministry.

(e) & (f): Ministry of Education has analysed the problems in education sector due to COVID-19 and has taken initiative to provide psychological support to students including minorities, teachers and families for mental health and wellbeing during the Covid-19 outbreak and beyond. Under the initiative, a web page named Manodarpan has been created on the Ministry of Education (MoE's) website. The webpage contains advisory, practical tips, posters, videos, dos and don'ts for psychological support, FAQ and online query system. There is a provision of tele-counseling to address their mental health and psychological issues.

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**Annexure A**

**Annexure referred in reply to part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.1939 for 22.09.2020 asked by Shri Karti P. Chidambaram regarding “Minority Student Beneficiaries of Scholarship Programmes”.**

<b>State/UT wise details of beneficiaries under Educational Scholarship Schemes of Ministry of Minority Affairs during the last three years</b>		
<b>S. No.</b>	<b>States/UTs</b>	<b>No. of Scholarship Sanctioned</b>
1	Andhra Pradesh	489958
2	Arunachal Pradesh	4
3	Telangana	596402
4	Assam	762160
5	Bihar	820142
6	Chhattisgarh	26435
7	Goa	3263
8	Gujarat	498438
9	Haryana	37204
10	Himachal Pradesh	7001
11	Jammu & Kashmir	1024609
12	Jharkhand	238674
13	Karnataka	1560951
14	Kerala	2098974
15	Madhya Pradesh	434751
16	Maharashtra	2274598
17	Manipur	81918
18	Meghalaya	44946
19	Mizoram	135824
20	Nagaland	125975
21	Odisha	45587
22	Punjab	1496240
23	Rajasthan	543442
24	Sikkim	2175
25	Tamil Nadu	1208079
26	Tripura	16041
27	Uttar Pradesh	2425851
28	Uttarakhand	88921
29	West Bengal	2527615
30	Andaman & Nicobar	552
31	Chandigarh	5580
32	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	402
33	Daman & Diu	475
34	Lakshadweep	2
35	Delhi	25882
36	Puducherry	9341
<b>Total</b>		<b>19658412</b>
* Disbursement of scholarships of 2019-20, continues in 2020-21.		

**Annexure B**

**Annexure referred in reply to Part (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1939 for answer on 22.09.2020 asked by Shri Karti P. Chidambaram regarding “Minority Student Beneficiaries of Scholarship Programmes”.**

<b>State/UT wise achievement under Skill Development Scheme/Programme during last three years</b>		
<b>S. No.</b>	<b>State /UT</b>	<b>Number of beneficiaries</b>
1.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	413
2.	Andhra Pradesh	9766
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	1766
4.	Assam	16259
5.	Bihar	25961
6.	Chhattisgarh	5840
7.	Chandigarh	60
8.	Delhi	14850
9.	Goa	1523
10.	Gujarat	12059
11.	Haryana	11653
12.	Himachal Pradesh	2450
13.	Jammu & Kashmir	28040
14.	Jharkhand	18405
15.	Karnataka	9178
16.	Kerala	4575
17.	Madhya Pradesh	28165
18.	Maharashtra	13703
19.	Manipur	3483
20.	Meghalaya	4511
21.	Mizoram	645
22.	Nagaland	1516
23.	Odisha	3889
24.	Puducherry	600
25.	Punjab	21670
26.	Rajasthan	13440
27.	Sikkim	1045
28.	Tamilnadu	4030
29.	Telangana	14845
30.	Tripura	2315
31.	Uttar Pradesh	67576
32.	Uttarakhand	4090
33.	West Bengal	21947
<b>Total</b>		<b>370268</b>

Annexure referred to in reply to part (c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.1939 for 22.09.2020 asked by Shri Karti P. Chidambaram regarding “Minority Student Beneficiaries of Scholarship Programmes”.

<b>State/UT wise No. of fellowship awarded under Maulana Azad National Fellowship Scheme during the last three years</b>		
<b>S.No.</b>	<b>States/UTs</b>	<b>Number of Fellowship Awarded</b>
1	Andhra Pradesh	31
2	Telangana	42
3	Arunachal Pradesh	12
4	Assam	94
5	Bihar	154
6	Chhattisgarh	6
7	Goa	6
8	Gujarat	32
9	Haryana	40
10	Himachal Pradesh	14
11	Jammu & Kashmir	473
12	Ladakh	4
13	Jharkhand	54
14	Karnataka	60
15	Kerala	317
16	Madhya Pradesh	52
17	Maharashtra	179
18	Manipur	24
19	Meghalaya	27
20	Mizoram	12
21	Nagaland	15
22	Odisha	19
23	Punjab	208
24	Rajasthan	76
25	Sikkim	14
26	Tamil Nadu	70
27	Tripura	4
28	Uttar Pradesh	500
29	Uttarakhand	21
30	West Bengal	307
31	Chandigarh	8
32	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	1
33	Delhi	121
34	Lakshadweep	2
35	Puducherry	8
<b>Total</b>		<b>3007</b>
Note- Achievements, besides Renewals.		