GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1836 TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.02.2021

FUNDS FOR MINORITY WELFARE PROGRAMMES

1836. DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE: SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO MANE: DR. SUJAY RADHAKRISHNA VIKHE PATIL: DR. HEENA GAVIT: SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes introduced for upliftment of minorities along with the budget allocated during the last three years;

(b) whether scholarships have been provided to minorities during the last three years;

(c) if so, the details of the budget allocation and the number of beneficiaries, State-wise including Maharashtra;

(d) whether there is any proposal to increase this amount during the current financial year and if so, the extent to which it is likely to be increased; and

(e) if not, whether increase is proposed according to the population and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS

(SHRI MUKHTAR ABBAS NAQVI)

(a): The Government is implementing various schemes for the welfare and upliftment of every section of the society including minorities especially economically weaker & downtrodden sections all over the country with schemes like Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PMJAY), Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY), Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM KISAN), Pradhan Mantri UjjwalaYojana (PMUY), Pradhan Mantri AwasYojana (PMAY), Beti Bachao Beti Padhao Yojana, etc.

Ministry of Minority Affairs also implements programmes/ schemes for socio-economic and educational empowerment of the six (6) centrally notified minority communities

namely Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists, Parsis, Jains and Muslims,. These schemes/programmes in brief are as under:-

(1) Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme, Post-Matric Scholarship Scheme, Merit-cum-Means based Scholarship Scheme - For educational empowerment of students through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) mode.

(2) Maulana Azad National Fellowship Scheme - Provide fellowships in the form of financial assistance.

(3) Naya Savera - Free Coaching and Allied Scheme - The Scheme aims to provide free coaching to students/candidates belonging to minority communities for qualifying in entrance examinations of technical/ professional courses and Competitive examinations.

(4) Padho Pardesh - Scheme of interest subsidy to students of minority communities on educational loans for overseas higher studies.

(5) Nai Udaan - Support for students clearing Prelims conducted by Union Public Service Commission (UPSC), State Public Service Commission (PSC) Staff Selection Commission (SSC) etc.

(6) Nai Roshni - Leadership development of women belonging to minority communities.

(7) 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.

(8) Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK) earlier known as MsDP -Implemented for the benefit of the people from all sections of the society in identified Minority Concentration Areas for creation of assets in education, skill and health sectors.

(9) Jiyo Parsi - Scheme for containing population decline of Parsis in India.

(10) USTTAD (Upgrading the Skills and Training in Traditional Arts/Crafts for Development)

(11) Nai Manzil - A scheme for formal school education & skilling of school dropouts.

(12) Hamari Dharohar- A scheme to preserve rich heritage of minority communities of India under the overall concept of Indian culture.

(13) Maulana Azad Education Foundation (MAEF) implements education and skill related schemes as follows:- (a) Begum Hazrat Mahal National Scholarship for Meritorious Girls belonging to the economically weaker sections of Minorities (b) Gharib Nawaz Employment Scheme started in 2017-18 for providing short term job oriented skill development training to youth (c) Bridge Course for madarsa students & school dropouts.

(14) Equity to National Minorities Development and Finance Corporation (NMDFC) for providing concessional loans to minorities for self-employment and income generating ventures.

In addition to the above, the Ministry also implements schemes for strengthening State Waqf Boards and coordinates arrangements for annual Haj pilgrimage.

The details of the schemes (S. No.1 to 12) mentioned above and status of their implementation are available on the website of this Ministry *(www.minorityaffairs.gov.in)* and those at serial No.(13) and (14) are available on the website of MAEF *(www.maef.nic.in)* and NMDFC *(www.nmdfc.org)* respectively. A statement showing scheme-wise Budget Allocation during the last three years is given at **Annexure-I.**

(b) & (c): Since 2014-15 to till date, more than 4 crore scholarships have been sanctioned to the students belonging to economically weaker sections of minority communities. During the last three-years i.e from 2017-18 to 2019-20 about 1.97 crore scholarships have been sanctioned to Minority students under four scholarship schemes namely Pre-matric Scholarship, Post-matric scholarship, Merit-cum-Means based Scholarship and Begum Hazrat Mahal National Scholarship for meritorious girls. Further, state-wise details of scholarship sanctioned including Maharashtra during the last three-years is given at **Annexure-II.** There is no State-wise fund allocation under above mentioned schemes. However, an amount of Rs.6743.60 crores has been allocated under the above schemes in the last three years.

(d) & (e) : Budget allocation for the scholarship schemes of the Ministry during the last three years for 2017-18, 2018-19 and 2019-20 was Rs.2126.99 crore, Rs.2282.40 crore and 2334.21 crore respectively. Therefore, budgetary provisions for the scholarship schemes has been increased consistently during the last three years.

Budget Estimates (BE) for 2020-21 for above mentioned scholarship schemes is Rs. 2402.50 crores and the same has been retained at RE stage.

Annexure referred in reply to Part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1836 for answer on 11.02.2021

S.No.	Schemes	B.E. (Rs. in Crores)
1	Pre-Matric Scholarship	3150.30
2	Post-Matric Scholarship	1738.01
3	Merit-cum-Means	1281.97
3 4	Maulana Azad National	
	Fellowship	408.00
5	Interest subsidy on	
	educational loans on	
	overseas studies	62.00
6	Free Coaching and Allied	
	schemes	197.00
7	Support for students clearing	
	Prelims-	32.00
8	Skill Development Initiative	750.00
9	USTTAD (Hunar Haat)	102.00
10	Nai Manzil (skill to 8th to	
	10th)	455.95
11	Equity of NMDFC	435.02
12	Leadership development of	
_	Minority Women	45.00
13	Scheme for Containing	
	Population Decline of Small	
	Minority community	10.00
14	Hamari Dharohar -	26.00
15	Research/ Studies,	
	Monitoring, Evaluation and	
	Publicity	165.00
16	Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas	3990.0
	Karyakaram	
17	Maulana Azad Education	
	Foundation -	328.01
18	Grants to SCAs of NMDFC -	6.00
19	Quami Waqf Board Tariquatti	0.00
	Scheme	47.44
20	Sahari Waqf Sampati Vikas	
	Yojana	9.50

Annexure referred in reply to Parts (b) & (c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1836 for answer on 11.02.2021

State-wise details of scholarships sanctioned during the last three years i.e 2017-18 to 2019-20				
5. No.	States/UTs	Total No. of Scholarships sanctioned		
1	Andhra Pradesh	490129		
2	Telangana	59700		
3	Assam	76281		
4	Bihar	82033		
5	Chhattisgarh	2643		
6	Goa	326		
7	Gujarat	49860		
8	Haryana	3721		
9	Himachal Pradesh	700		
10	Jammu & Kashmir	102473		
11	Jharkhand	238704		
12	Karnataka	156208		
13	Kerala	210044		
14	Madhya Pradesh	43483		
15	Maharashtra	227582		
16	Manipur	8199		
17	Meghalaya	4495		
18	Mizoram	13582		
19	Nagaland	12600		

20	Odisha	45598
21	Punjab	1496246
22	Rajasthan	543515
23	Sikkim	2176
24	Tamil Nadu	1208126
25	Tripura	16042
26	Uttar Pradesh	2429101
27	Uttarakhand	88932
28	West Bengal	2527794
29	Andaman & Nicobar	552
30	Chandigarh	5580
31	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	402
32	Daman & Diu	475
33	Delhi	25901
34	Puducherry	9343
35	Lakswadeep	2
36	Arunachal Pradesh	4
	Total	1,96,67,998