

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3823  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.03.2021**

**ALLOCATION/UTILIZATION OF FUNDS FOR MINORITY DEVELOPMENT**

**3823. SHRI RAJENDRA AGRAWAL:**

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds spent by the Government on minority development between financial years 2015 and 2021; and

(b) the percentage of the budgetary allocation made by the Government and spent on the Sikh, Jain, Buddhist and Parsi communities respectively during the above period?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS**

**(SHRI MUKHTAR ABBAS NAQVI)**

(a): Ministry of Minority Affairs implements various programmes/ schemes for socio-economic and educational empowerment of the six (6) centrally notified minority communities namely Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists, Parsis, Jains and Muslims. An amount of Rs. 21028.92 crore has been Spent from 2015-16 to 2020-21 as on 28.02.2021.

(b): Community-wise allocation of funds under the schemes of the Ministry is not made in the budget .However, during 2015-16 to 2019-20, 36,99,296 scholarships have

been sanctioned to the students belonging to Sikh, Jain, Buddhist and Parsi communities. Community-wise number of beneficiaries given in the table:

	<b>Name of Minority Community</b>			
	<b>Sikhs</b>	<b>Parsis</b>	<b>Jains</b>	<b>Buddhists</b>
<b>Total No. of Scholarships</b>	25,41,879	4,562	4,08,415	7,44,440

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