

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS**

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2783
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.08.2021**

Sachar Commission Report

**2783. SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN:
SHRIMATI APARUPA PODDAR:**

Will the Minister of **MINORITY AFFAIRS** be pleased to state:

- (a) the main objectives of Sachar Commission;
- (b) whether the Government has implemented Sachar Commission report and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has welfare projects exclusively for muslim community under the recommendation of Sachar Commission and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has added other minority communities to the schemes formed under Sachar Commission recommendations and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government will constitute new commissions to study the backwardness of muslim and christian communities in India and if so, the details thereof?

A N S W E R

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

- (a) & (b): The Government had constituted a Committee under the Chairmanship of Justice (Retired) Rajinder Sachar in March 2005 for preparation of a comprehensive report on the social, economic and educational status of the Muslim community of India. Details are available on the website of the Ministry, www.minorityaffairs.gov.in.
- (c) The Government has implemented various schemes for the welfare and upliftment of every section of the society including minorities especially economically weaker & downtrodden sections all over the country 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 Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists, Parsis and Jains. These schemes/programmes implemented by the Ministry in brief are as under:-

A. Educational Empowerment Schemes:-

- 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/ medical professional courses and various 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.

B. Employment oriented schemes:-

- 6) Seekho Aur Kamao - Skill development scheme for youth of 14 - 35 years age group and aiming at providing employment and employment opportunities, improving the employability of existing workers, school dropouts etc.
- 7) USTTAD (Upgrading the Skills and Training in Traditional Arts/Crafts for Development). Hunar Haat are being organised across the Country to provide employment opportunities and markets to artisans/craftsmen..
- 8) Nai Manzil - A scheme for formal school education & skilling of school dropouts.
- 9) Nai Roshni - Leadership development of women belonging to minority communities.

C. Infrastructure Development Programme:-

- 10) Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJKV) – Being Implemented to provide basic infrastructure such as Schools, Colleges, ITIs, Polytechnics, Hostels, Sadbhav Mandap, Skill Development Centres, Drinking water and Sanitation facilities, Primary Health Centres etc. in deprived areas of the Country.

The details of the schemes (S. No.1 to 10) mentioned above and status of their implementation are available on the website of this Ministry (www.minorityaffairs.gov.in).

During the last 7 years, achievements made under the major Schemes of the Ministry are given as under:

- i. More than 4.52 crore beneficiaries have been provided different scholarships through the National Scholarship Portal (NSP) and Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) out of which more than 53% beneficiaries are female.
- ii. 69,544 candidates have been benefitted under the Naya Savera scheme and approx. 3.92 lakh persons have been benefitted under employment oriented scheme 'Seekho aur Kamao'.

- iii. Under USTTAD Scheme, Ministry has organised 28 “Hunar Haats” in which more than 5.5 lakhs artisans and people associated with them have been provided employment and employment opportunities, out of which more than 50% beneficiaries are women.
 - iv. Under the “Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karykram” (PMJVK) more than 43 thousand basic infrastructure projects have been created such as schools, colleges, hostels, community centres, common service centres, ITIs, Polytechnics, Girls Hostels, Sadbhavana Mandap, Hunar Hub etc in backward Minority concentrated areas across the country.
- (d) Ministry of Minority Affairs implements programmes/ schemes for socio-economic and educational empowerment of the six (6) centrally notified minority communities. These communities are notified under Section 2 (c) of National Commission for Minorities (NCM) Act, 1992. The Jain Community has been included as the sixth minority community vide notification dated 27th January, 2014.
- (e) No, Sir.
