

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 492  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.07.2021**

**PRE MATRIC SCHOLARSHIPS**

**492. MS. S. JOTHIMANI:**

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of applicants and beneficiaries for the pre matric scholarships during the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) the total number of applicants and beneficiaries for the post matric scholarships during the said period;
- (c) the funds allocated and spent for Pre matric and post matric minority scholarship schemes during the last three years; and
- (d) whether the Government is planning to introduce scholarships for minorities in post-graduation, research and overseas programmes?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) &(b): The Ministry of Minority Affairs implements Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme, Post Matric Scholarship Scheme and Merit-cum-Mean based Scholarship Scheme for the educational empowerment of students belonging to six notified minority communities i.e. Buddhist, Christian, Jain, Muslim, Parsi and Sikh in all States/UTs across the country. During the last 7 years, 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.

The total number of applicants and beneficiaries during the last three years i.e. 2018-19 to 2020-21 under the pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme are 2,87,99,025 and 1,63,06,171 respectively and State-wise details of the same is **annexed**.

The total number of applicants and beneficiaries during the last three years i.e. 2018-19 to 2020-21 under the Post-Matric Scholarship Scheme are 53,29,846 and 20,75,539 respectively.

(c): The funds allocated and released for Pre-Matric and Post Matric Scholarship Schemes during the last three years i.e. 2018-19 to 2020-21 are Rs. 5441.50 Crore and Rs. 5123.04 respectively.

(d): The Ministry of Minority Affairs implements the following schemes for post-graduation, research and overseas programmes:-

(i) Post Matric Scholarship Scheme- The scholarship is awarded to minority students studying in Class XI and XII, technical and vocational courses of XI and XII level, under graduate, post graduate and M.Phil/ Ph.D courses.

(ii) Merit-cum-Mean based Scholarship Scheme – The scholarship is awarded for pursuing professional and technical courses at under-graduate and post-graduate levels.

(iii) Maulana Azad National Fellowship (MANF) Scheme- The Fellowships are awarded to research students pursuing regular and full time M. Phil and Ph.D courses.

(iv) Padho Pardesh – Scheme of Interest Subsidy on educational loans for overseas studies- Under the scheme, the interest subsidy is awarded to students on the interest payable for the period of moratorium for the Education Loans taken for overseas studies to pursue approved courses of studies abroad at Masters, M.Phil or Ph.D levels.

(v) Educational Loan Scheme: National Minorities Development & Finance Corporation (NMDFC) provides Educational Loan for pursuing courses in India & abroad.

The details of the schemes and status of their implementation mentioned at (i) to (iv) and (v) are available on the websites of ([www.minorityaffairs.gov.in](http://www.minorityaffairs.gov.in)) and ([www.nmdfc.org/](http://www.nmdfc.org/)) respectively.

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**Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 492 for 22.07.2021 asked by Ms. S. Jothimani regarding 'Pre Matric Scholarships'.**

<b>The State/UT-wise details of number of applicants and beneficiaries under the Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme for minorities during the last three years i.e. 2018-19 to 2020-21</b>			
<b>S. No</b>	<b>States/UTs</b>	<b>Number of Application received</b>	<b>Number of beneficiaries Sanctioned*</b>
1	Andhra Pradesh	803371	436851
2	Telangana	746298	465340
3	Assam	1915021	643703
4	Bihar	1748075	601539
5	Chhattisgarh	2853	14590
6	Goa	43516	1598
7	Gujarat	504162	362708
8	Haryana	49870	24433
9	Himachal Pradesh	8634	5563
10	Jammu & Kashmir	1675284	1128389
11	Jharkhand	548081	148844
12	Karnataka	2949151	1434422
13	Kerala	2656108	1754135
14	Ladakh	28505	14487
15	Madhya Pradesh	520949	355686
16	Maharashtra	3231147	2138896
17	Manipur	187900	106029
18	Meghalaya	43463	29727
19	Mizoram	225765	147941
20	Nagaland	196100	149694
21	Odisha	91656	40942
22	Punjab	1865208	1314603
23	Rajasthan	645310	444494
24	Sikkim	3383	1205
25	Tamil Nadu	1380582	1077910
26	Tripura	21798	12451
27	Uttar Pradesh	3264151	2140260
28	Uttarakhand	121456	69725
29	West Bengal	3244793	1207780
30	Andaman & Nicobar	4697	2931
31	Chandigarh	6195	4488
32	Dadra & Nagar Haveli & Daman & Diu	3007	770
33	Delhi	49701	14567
34	Puducherry	12712	9470
	<b>Total</b>	<b>28799025</b>	<b>16306171</b>

\* Provisional data. Disbursement of scholarships continues in 2021-22.

(Arunachal Pradesh and Lakshadweep do not avail the scholarships under the Scheme)