

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
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PRE-MATRIC POST MATRIC SCHOLARSHIP

3036. ADV. A.M. ARIFF:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Pre-metric, Post-Metric and Merit-cum-Means Scholarships offered to students of minority communities in the State of Kerala in the Financial Year 2020-21 and 2021-22 and the expenditure incurred in this regard, item and religion-wise;

(b) the number of Begum Hazrat Mahal National Scholarship offered to girl students in the State during the said period, religion-wise along with the funds allotted thereunder; and

(c) whether the Government proposes to allocate the funds for the above said scholarships in proportion with the Gross Enrollment Ratio (GER) of minority students and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS
(SHRI MUKHTAR ABBAS NAQVI)

(a): The Ministry of Minority Affairs implements three Scholarship Schemes for educational empowerment of minorities (Buddhists, Christians, Jains, Muslims, Parsis and Sikhs) viz; Pre-Matric (for Class I to X out of which 30% scholarships are earmarked for girls), Post Matric (Class XI to Ph.D out of which 30% scholarships are earmarked for girls) and Merit-cum-Means based Scholarship Schemes (for Technical and Professional Courses at under graduate and post graduate levels out of which 30% scholarships are earmarked for girls). The Maulana Azad Education Foundation (MAEF) under the Ministry of Minority Affairs also implements the Begum Hazrat Mahal National Scholarship Scheme (BHMNS) for meritorious girl students, belonging to the six notified minority communities, for classes IX-XII. Since 2014-15, more than 5.1 crore* scholarships have been provided through National Scholarship portal (NSP) and Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) out of which more than 52% beneficiaries are female.

The total scholarship (Fresh and Renewal) sanctioned to the minority beneficiaries from the State of Kerala during 2020-21 along with community-wise break-up is given in the table below. The disbursement of scholarship for 2021-22 has just started.

Schemes	Total Scholars-hips**	Buddhist	Christian	Jain	Muslim	Sikh	Parsi	Amount (Rs. In Crore)
Pre-Matric	5,99,666 (1,92,789)	2 (61)	2,17,631 (78,785)	65 (58)	3,81,951 (1,13,836)	10 (49)	7 (0)	74.39
Post Matric	67,581 (32,132)	1 (10)	29,995 (13,131)	18 (10)	37,564 (18,973)	2 (8)	1 (0)	31.79
Merit-cum-Means	29,601 (3,856)	1 (1)	13,143 (1,576)	6 (1)	16,449 (2,277)	1 (1)	1 (0)	80.73
Total	6,96,848	4	2,60,769	89	4,35,964	13	9	186.91

** State quota and community-wise Quota/Allocation for Fresh Scholarships is given in bracket.

(b): During 2020-21, under Begum Hazrat Mahal National Scholarship, 22169 girls(quota-6560) from Christian community amounting to Rs. 1273 lakhs; 13 girls (quota-4) from Jain community amounting to Rs 0.74 lakh; 16459 girls (quota-9476) from Muslim community amounting to Rs902 lakh and 1 girl each from Sikh and Parsi community were sanctioned. The Scheme is yet to be implemented for FY 2021-22.

(c): The distribution of Scholarship among the States/Union Territories is made on the basis of population of minorities in the States/Union Territories as per the Census. It was based on Census 2001 up to 2017-18 and thereafter, it is based on Census 2011.

*The figure also includes the beneficiaries who would avail the scholarship for the year 2021-22 for which the budget has been allocated.