

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINORITIES

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Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any scheme has been launched by the Government to increase the employment opportunities for the minority communities;
- (b) if so, the details of the people belonging to minority communities employed across the various sectors, State-wise, area-wise and Religion-wise; and
- (c) the details of the number of students belonging to minority communities who have received scholarships from the Government during the last five years, State-wise including Maharashtra?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS
(SHRI KIREN RIJJU)

(a)& (b) Pradhan Mantri Virasat Ka Samvardhan (PM VIKAS) is a flagship Scheme of the Ministry of Minority Affairs (MoMA) which converges five erstwhile schemes and focuses on upliftment of minorities through skill development; entrepreneurship and leadership of minority women; and education support for school dropouts. Skill training were provided to youth from minority communities to increase employment and livelihood opportunities under the 'Seekho Aur Kamao', 'Nai Manzil', and 'USTTAD' schemes, which have now been converged into PM VIKAS scheme. A brief of these schemes along with achievements made therein is as under:

i) Seekho aur Kamao (SAK) scheme, started in 2013-14, targeted to upgrade the skills of minority youth (14-45 years) in various modern/ traditional skills depending upon their qualification, prevailing economic trends, and market potential, that could earn them suitable employment or make them suitably skilled to take up self-employment. Since inception, about 4.68 lakh beneficiaries have been trained, and as reported on scheme portal 2.90 lakh

beneficiaries have been placed under the scheme. However, details of people employed across sectors, State-wise, area-wise and religion-wise not maintained.

ii) Nai Manzil scheme started in 2015, and was implemented with an objective to benefit the minority youth who do not have formal school leaving certificate. The scheme provided a combination of formal education (Class VIII or X) and skills and enabled the beneficiaries to seek better employment and livelihoods. Since inception, 98,712 beneficiaries have been trained, and as reported on scheme portal 58,168 beneficiaries have been placed under the scheme. However, details of people employed across sectors, State-wise, area-wise and religion-wise not maintained.

iii) USTTAD scheme started in 2015 and targeted capacity building and upgrading of the traditional skills of master craftsmen/ artisans. Since inception, about 21,611 beneficiaries have been trained and placed/self employed/organised into Self Help Groups under the scheme.

(c) State-wise number of students belonging to minority communities who have received scholarships under the 03 scholarship schemes of the Ministry viz. (i) Pre-Matric, (ii) Post-Matric and (iii) Merit-cum-Means during the last five years (i.e., 2018-19 to 2022-23), are placed at Annexure.

Annexure

I. Number of Scholarships sanctioned under the Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme for AY 2018-19 to 2022-23						
S.No.	States/ UTs	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23*
1	Andaman and Nicobar	56	107	2796	3272	97
2	Andhra Pradesh	129589	161555	152714	175563	8573
3	Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	0	0	0
4	Assam	116564	290719	250267	235337	4706
5	Bihar	222209	245662	134270	175287	3001
6	Chandigarh	1342	1461	1913	1783	44
7	Chhattisgarh	5595	4839	4308	4453	412
8	Delhi	2216	4928	8328	12302	546
9	Goa	349	497	772	1111	77
10	Gujarat	128432	134907	102873	89543	2796
11	Haryana	6259	8860	9396	25011	994
12	Himachal Pradesh	1541	2056	1985	1790	193
13	Jammu And Kashmir	155312	523653	466290	389132	8402
14	Jharkhand	50466	84133	14332	14146	683
15	Karnataka	433314	507463	517527	566291	47922
16	Kerala	573776	593531	599692	634299	52879
17	Ladakh	0	0	14862	11884	292
18	Lakshadweep	0	0	0	0	0
19	Madhya Pradesh	108841	137269	113780	139638	8573
20	Maharashtra	688310	744273	734816	802121	35502
21	Manipur	14882	44390	47526	52432	4275
22	Meghalaya	5392	9865	14630	15462	613
23	Mizoram	42696	52652	53129	60784	1236
24	Nagaland	28156	53156	69053	77882	4551
25	Odisha	10611	12934	17470	25620	700
26	Puducherry	2331	3223	3963	4318	319
27	Punjab	409392	468622	447136	503179	15748
28	Rajasthan	135980	165049	146296	188827	14881
29	Sikkim	392	716	102	513	22
30	Tamil Nadu	325580	376543	381455	448485	49824
31	Telangana	169146	171908	156037	177571	9453
32	The Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu	134	468	275	318	9
33	Tripura	3283	3525	5723	7109	391
34	Uttar Pradesh	691804	727980	747354	842938	40303
35	Uttarakhand	21275	30197	18621	21812	556
36	West Bengal	1206629	884	273	576	3
Total		5691854	5568025	5239964	5710789	318576

* AY 2022-23 data provisional

II. Number of Scholarships sanctioned under the Post-Matric Scholarship Scheme for AY 2018-19 to 2022-23						
S.No.	States/ UTs	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23*
1	Andaman And Nicobar	18	9	278	295	44
2	Andhra Pradesh	13292	15408	12661	15216	3159
3	Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	0	0	0
4	Assam	27856	38531	30456	49106	254
5	Bihar	49333	48456	43512	19642	1455
6	Chandigarh	115	154	123	117	6
7	Chhattisgarh	2114	2202	2198	2744	786
8	Delhi	2063	2261	3518	2908	372
9	Goa	140	218	349	458	84
10	Gujarat	20652	23445	21289	23519	4353
11	Haryana	3792	4703	5194	7824	1206
12	Himachal Pradesh	430	534	500	637	157
13	Jammu And Kashmir	28536	111052	53725	47574	5722
14	Jharkhand	12616	13182	5918	5494	761
15	Karnataka	48924	74944	55081	73830	17262
16	Kerala	65875	65635	67583	74271	15787
17	Ladakh	0	0	1593	905	63
18	Lakshadweep	0	0	0	0	0
19	Madhya Pradesh	18536	22038	20430	23622	5255
20	Maharashtra	48332	48331	47333	42110	7137
21	Manipur	3860	5599	4497	4629	701
22	Meghalaya	6563	7533	7254	5306	614
23	Mizoram	1300	1309	1144	1702	192
24	Nagaland	4360	5332	6029	6421	1272
25	Odisha	2134	2738	3146	4030	779
26	Puducherry	516	572	596	629	115
27	Punjab	55829	56646	53450	55430	7570
28	Rajasthan	24437	27933	27404	30012	7256
29	Sikkim	104	52	85	289	35
30	Tamil Nadu	36628	43241	44319	52409	14056
31	Telangana	15597	17393	18372	20843	1736
32	The Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu	59	81	57	78	12
33	Tripura	1164	1067	1004	1766	226
34	Uttar Pradesh	86303	94291	4646	134433	24639
35	Uttarakhand	2830	4521	114388	5296	729
36	West Bengal	99957	3730	5184	6548	812
Total		684265	743141	663316	720093	124607

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III. Number of Scholarships sanctioned under Merit-cum-Means based Scholarship Scheme for AY 2018-19 to 2022-23						
S.No.	States/ UTs	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23*
1	Andaman And Nicobar	2	3	4	3	1
2	Andhra Pradesh	2599	3476	1808	2118	957
3	Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	0	0	0
4	Assam	4437	6158	7216	9287	1263
5	Bihar	11144	6985	7933	6733	2876
6	Chandigarh	8	2	6	7	5
7	Chhattisgarh	421	432	441	516	265
8	Delhi	459	384	376	295	111
9	Goa	76	76	116	50	25
10	Gujarat	3437	3037	2722	2731	1006
11	Haryana	821	821	772	1029	516
12	Himachal Pradesh	48	30	32	51	20
13	Jammu And Kashmir	5794	7702	8898	9392	2837
14	Jharkhand	1264	1501	232	685	263
15	Karnataka	15979	20779	22510	22161	9727
16	Kerala	22038	26205	29630	32790	19890
17	Ladakh	0	0	130	81	9
18	Lakshadweep	0	0	0	0	0
19	Madhya Pradesh	2154	2448	2216	2530	1263
20	Maharashtra	4336	2814	4	3	1
21	Manipur	364	348	1808	2118	957
22	Meghalaya	1182	1322	0	0	0
23	Mizoram	543	1115	7216	9287	1263
24	Nagaland	1186	1193	7933	6733	2876
25	Odisha	537	436	6	7	5
26	Puducherry	57	62	441	516	265
27	Punjab	3273	2410	376	295	111
28	Rajasthan	3555	3241	116	50	25
29	Sikkim	21	18	2722	2731	1006
30	Tamil Nadu	5475	5685	772	1029	516
31	Telangana	2854	3311	32	51	20
32	The Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu	1	5	8898	9392	2837
33	Tripura	125	125	232	685	263
34	Uttar Pradesh	9901	9901	22510	22161	9727
35	Uttarakhand	526	526	29630	32790	19890
36	West Bengal	13154	13154	130	81	9
Total		117771	118359	120371	131810	58430

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