

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
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SCHEMES FOR UPLIFTMENT OF MINORITIES

432. SHRI SAPTAGIRI SANKAR ULAKA

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of welfare schemes and programmes launched for the upliftment of minorities and the funds allocated to each scheme during the last five years;
- (b) whether the Government has identified specific focus areas or communities affected by riots for social and economic rehabilitation, if so, the details of special provisions made under these schemes for such areas;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to improve education levels among minority communities, particularly in riot-affected regions along with is the status of enrollment and retention rates in schools within these areas; and
- (d) the details of the number of scholarships loans, and financial assistance schemes specifically for students from minority communities along with the percentage of such benefits which have been reached to riot-affected or marginalised minority groups during the last five years?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS

(SHRI KIREN RIJU)

(a) to (d): The Government implements various schemes for the welfare and upliftment of every strata, including minorities, specially the economically weaker and lesser privileged sections of the society. Ministry of Minority Affairs specifically implements various schemes for socio-economic and educational empowerment of the six (6) centrally notified minority communities, these schemes are implemented across the country and not in specific focus areas such as riot affected regions etc. The Schemes/ programmes implemented by the Ministry are as under:

1. Educational Empowerment Schemes

- i. Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme
- ii. Post Matric Scholarship Scheme
- iii. Merit-cum-Mean based Scholarship Scheme

2. Employment and Economic Empowerment Schemes

i) **Pradhan Mantri Virasat Ka Samvardhan (PM VIKAS):** PM VIKAS scheme comprises of the following components which target to improve employability and support in generating better livelihood opportunities for the targeted beneficiaries.

- a) Skilling and Training component
- b) Women Leadership and Entrepreneurship component
- c) Education support component (for school dropouts)

Further, the scheme targets to promote credit and market linkages for the beneficiaries.

ii) **National Minorities Development and Finance Corporation (NMDFC) :** NMDFC provides concessional loan to “Backward sections” amongst the notified minorities for self employment, income generation activities under its schemes of Term loan, Education loan, Virasat scheme & Micro Finance scheme through State Channelizing Agencies (SCAs) nominated by respective State Govt./ UT Administration and Canara Bank.

3. Infrastructure Development Scheme

i) **Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK) :** To Develop community infrastructure in the Minority Concentration areas of the country in the sectors viz. Health, Skill Development, Women Centric Projects, Drinking water and Supply, Sanitation and Sports.

4. Special Schemes

Jiyo Parsi: A Scheme for reversing the population decline of Parsis in India.

The details of these schemes are available on the website of the Ministry www.minorityaffairs.gov.in. The details of funds allocated to each scheme during the past 05 (five) years are **Annexed**.

Scholarship Schemes

Scheme	Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme	Post Matric Scholarship Scheme	Merit-Cum-Means based Scholarship Scheme	Total
Year	Allocation			
2019-20	1199.82	482.66	361.51	2043.99
2020-21	1330.00	535.00	400.00	2265.00
2021-22	1378.00	468.00	325.00	2171.00
2022-23	556.82	515.00	358.02	1429.84
2023-24	400.00	1000.00	25.00	1425.00
Total	4864.64	3000.66	1469.53	9334.83

Pradhan Mantri Virasat Ka Samvardhan (PM VIKAS)

Allocation and expenditure (in Cr.) for Skilling Schemes						
Schemes	SAK (Seekho Aur Kamao)		Nai Manzil		USTTAD (Upgrading the Skills and Training in Traditional Arts/Crafts for Development)	
	BE	AE	BE	AE	BE	AE
2019-20	250	175.5	140	34.44	50	54.48
2020-21	250	190	120	59.84	60	56.74
2021-22	276	268.5	87	48.86	47	76.68
2022-23	235.4	65.28	46	7.62	47	10.61
2023-24	249.9	209.4	0.1	0	0.1	0
2024-25	244.6	0	0	0	0	0
Grand Total	1261	699.3	393.1	151	204	199

National Minorities Development and Finance Corporation (NMDFC)

F.Y.	Fund Allocated/Released by GOI for Equity Contribution in NMDFC (in crs.)	Concessional credit disbursed by NMDFC (in crs.)
2019-20	160.00	602.50
2020-21	110.00	650.41
2021-22	100.00	700.00
2022-23	159.00	881.70
2023-24	61.00	765.45

Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK)

Details of funds allocated (Actual Expenditure) in the past five years	
	(Rs. in Crore)
2019-20	1698.29
2020-21	1091.94
2021-22	1266.87
2022-23	222.66
2023-24	189.23
