

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2569  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.08.2015**

**MINORITY GIRLS AT UNIVERSITY LEVEL**

**2569. SHRI SANKAR PRASAD DATTA:**

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of minority girls studying at the university level throughout the country;
- (b) the State-wise number in State Universities;
- (c) the State-wise number in Central Universities; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to encourage girls to promote higher education of girls belonging to minority communities?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS  
(SHRI MUKHTAR ABBAS NAQVI)**

- (a) to (c): The data on minority girls studying at the University level in various States/UTs in the country are not maintained by this Ministry. However, as per All India Survey of Higher Education, 2012-13(Provisional) available on the official website of Ministry of Human Resource Development, 8,50,965 minority girls are enrolled throughout the country.
- (d): To promote higher education among minority students including girls, Ministry of Minority Affairs implements many schemes namely, Post-Matric Scholarship; Merit-cum-Means based Scholarship; Maulana Azad National Fellowship; and Padho Pardesh- Interest Subsidy on Educational Loans for overseas studies. Minimum 30% Scholarships/Fellowships are earmarked for minority girls under all these schemes.

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