

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 61
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.02.2016**

Scheme for Upliftment of Minorities

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Will the Minister of **MINORITY AFFAIRS** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of schemes being run for upliftment of minorities by the Government;
- (b) whether efforts are being made to make the minorities self-reliant by providing them loans on priority basis under the Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government intends to increase the amount of central share granted to the States under the Centrally sponsored schemes for the welfare of minorities; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a) The details of the schemes being run by the Ministry of Minority Affairs for the upliftment of Minorities are listed in (**Annexure I**)
- (b)& (c): The details of efforts being made to make Minorities self reliant by providing loans under the Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana are annexed at **Annexure-II**.
- (d)&(e): No, madam, at present all Schemes, except MsDP, implemented by the Ministry are under Central Sector. Only one Scheme (i.e) MsDP is under Centrally sponsored Scheme and the share of the State Government is limited to 25% as per approval of the Cabinet.

Annexure-I

Details of Schemes being run for upliftment of Minorities by Ministry of Minority Affairs

- i. **Pre-matric Scholarship Scheme-** The scholarship is provided to minority students studying in class I to X in recognized Government/Private schools. Minimum 30% scholarships are earmarked for girls. To be eligible, students should not have annual family income of more than Rs.1.00 lakh and he/she should have secured minimum 50% marks in previous class.
- ii. **Post-matric Scholarship Scheme-** The scholarship is provided to minority students studying in class XI to Ph.D level in recognized Government/Private schools/Colleges/Institutes. Minimum 30% scholarship are earmarked for girls. To be eligible, students should not have annual family income more than Rs.2.00 lakh and he/she should have secured minimum 50% marks in previous class.
- iii. **Merit-cum-Mean based Scholarship Scheme -** The merit-cum-means scholarship scheme is awarded for pursuing professional and technical courses, at under-graduate and post-graduate levels, in institutions recognized by the appropriate authority. Under the scheme, 30% of these scholarships are earmarked for girl students. 85 institutes for professional and technical courses have been listed in the scheme. To be eligible, students should not have annual family income of more than Rs.2.50 lakh and he/she should have secured minimum 50% marks in previous class.
- iv. **Maulana Azad National Fellowship -** The objective of the Fellowship is to provide integrated five year fellowships in the form of financial assistance to students from minority communities to pursue higher studies such as M.Phil and Ph.D. It is implemented through University Grant Commission (UGC). Fellowship is awarded to research students pursuing regular and full time M.Phil and Ph.D. courses. To be eligible, the annual income of the family from all sources should not exceed Rs.2.50 lakh. 30% of the fellowships are earmarked for eligible girl students.
- v. **Free Coaching & Allied Scheme -** The objectives of the scheme are to assist students belonging to the minority communities by way of special coaching for (a) qualifying examinations for admission in technical/ professional courses such as engineering, law, medical, management, information technology etc. (b) Competitive examinations for recruitment to Group 'A' , 'B' and 'C' services and other equivalent posts under the Central and State governments including public sector undertakings, banks, insurance companies as well as autonomous bodies. To be eligible for free coaching, the annual income of the family from all sources should not exceed Rs.3.00 lakh.
- vi. **Support to minority candidates clearing Prelims conducted by UPSC/SSC, State Public Service Commission (PSC) etc. -** The objective of the Scheme is to provide financial support to the Minority candidates clearing prelims conducted by Union Public Service Commission, Staff Selection Commission and State Public

Service Commissions to adequately equip them to compete for appointment to Civil Services in the Union and the State Governments and to increase the representation of the Minority in the Civil Services by giving direct financial support to candidates clearing Preliminary Examination of Group 'A' and 'B' (Gazetted and non-Gazetted posts of Union Public Service Commission (UPSC); State Public Service Commissions (SPSCs) and Staff Selection Commission (SSC) etc.

- vii. **Padho Pardesh- Interest Subsidy on Educational Loans for overseas studies** - The objective of the scheme is to award interest subsidy to meritorious students belonging to economically weaker sections of notified minority communities so as to provide them better opportunities for higher education abroad and enhance their employability. To be eligible, the annual income of the family from all sources should not exceed Rs.6.00 lakhs.

However, there is one scheme which is community specific namely "**Jiyo Parsi**", which is implemented to check population decline of Parsis in India.

- viii. "**Seekho aur Kamao**" is a placement linked skill development scheme for minorities. It aims to upgrade the skills of minority youth in various modern/traditional skills depending upon their qualification, present economic trends and market potential, which can earn them suitable employment or make them suitably skilled to go for self-employment. The scheme ensures placements of minimum 75% trainees, out of which at least 50% placement is in organized sector. The scheme is implemented in States through selected Project Implementing Agencies (PIAs).
- ix. "**Nai Roshni**" is an exclusive scheme for Leadership Development of Minority Women with an aim to empower and instill confidence in women by providing knowledge, tools and techniques for interacting with Government systems, banks and intermediaries at all levels. The scheme is implemented in State through selected Project Implementing Agencies (PIAs).
- x. A scheme "**USTTAD (Upgrading the Skills and Training in Traditional Arts/Crafts for Development)**" has been started during 2015-16 to preserve the rich heritage of traditional arts/crafts of minorities. The scheme aims at capacity building and updating the traditional skills of master craftsmen/artisans; documentation of identified traditional arts/crafts of minorities; set standards for traditional skills; training of minority youths in various identified traditional arts/crafts through master craftsmen; and develop national and international market linkages.
- xi. The **Multi-sectoral Development Programme (MsDP)** is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme and is being implemented by Ministry of Minority Affairs with an aim to address the development deficits by creating socio-economic infrastructure and providing basic amenities for uplifting the quality of life of targeted minorities. Under the programme infrastructural assets are created for different sectors of development including Education, Health and skill development for welfare of the minorities.

Details of Loans to Minorities under Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (Rupees in Crores and figures in numbers)

Data Till Date : 12/2/2016

Category	Shishu (Loans up to Rs. 50,000)				Kishore (Loans from Rs. 50,001 to Rs. 5.00 Lakh)				Tarun (Loans from Rs. 5.00 to Rs. 10.00 Lakh)				Total			
	No Of A/Cs	Sanctioned Amt	Disbursement Amt	Outstanding Amt	No Of A/Cs	Sanctioned Amt	Disbursement Amt	Outstanding Amt	No Of A/Cs	Sanctioned Amt	Disbursement Amt	Outstanding Amt	No Of A/Cs	Sanctioned Amt	Disbursement Amt	Outstanding Amt
General	11882646	22387.28	21768.25	18073.69	1163199	24720.38	23426.16	21336.77	239701	18580.01	17396.22	15287.95	13285546	65687.67	62590.63	54698.41
SC	4695057	8428.02	8334.87	6535.44	112966	2192.05	2093.16	1953.51	14371	1026.89	982.6	868.97	4822394	11646.96	11410.63	9357.92
ST	1167421	2181.16	2139.65	1779.93	48350	983.8	927.01	851.39	7051	476.34	454.93	418.58	1222822	3641.3	3521.59	3049.9
OBC	7308928	14240.46	14052.43	11510.55	328495	5868.89	5607.56	5407.22	32443	2408.7	2284.82	2152.45	7669866	22518.05	21944.81	19070.22
Total	25054052	47236.92	46295.2	37899.61	1653010	33765.12	32053.89	29548.89	293566	22491.94	21118.57	18727.95	27000628	103493.98	99467.66	86176.45
Out of Above																
Women Entrepreneurs	20835738	37615.65	37198.02	29869.07	368488	7384.56	7079.78	6168.35	40776	3390.56	3219.01	2771.39	21245002	48390.77	47496.81	38808.81
New Entrepreneurs / Accounts	8638457	18995.11	18483.7	15210.52	1828025	19673.98	18547.23	16520.11	161991	12469.01	11517.42	9913.81	10628473	51138.1	48548.35	41644.44
Minority	3112527	5450.29	5352.98	4129.17	179054	3668.44	3489.39	3352.63	26846	2041.32	1915.57	1794.47	3318427	11160.05	10757.94	9276.27
PMJDY OD Account	1860942	362.27	260.82	170.02	199	2.21	2.21	2.21	25	0.23	0.23	0.23	1861166	364.71	263.26	172.46
Mudra card	419234	541.69	500.18	447.92	36963	345.5	329.28	265.52	11859	377.21	362.44	295.22	468056	1264.4	1191.9	1008.66
Skill Trained Persons	1686975	2143.65	2134.56	1387.79	13491	360.57	328.5	296.35	4933	405.69	373.1	331.92	1705399	2909.91	2836.16	2016.06

