

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
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BUDGET OF THE MINISTRY

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Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- a. what has been the annual budget for the Ministry during last five years;
- b. what percentage of total budget is the total budget allocated to the Ministry, year-wise details for last five years;
- c. whether there has been a consistent fall in the allocation to this Ministry, and if so, the reasons therefor; and
- d. what is the amount of the Ministry's budget that is left unutilised at the end of each year during last five years?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS
(SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a), (b) & (d): The Government has implemented various schemes for the welfare and upliftment of every strata, including minorities, specially the economically weaker and lesser privileged sections of the society, through various schemes of the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, Ministry of Textiles, Ministry of Culture, Ministry of women and Child Development and Ministry of Rural Development.

2. Ministry of Minority Affairs specifically implements various schemes across the country for socio- economic and educational empowerment of the six (6) centrally notified minority communities. The Schemes/ programmes implemented by the Ministry during the last five years are as under:

A. Educational Empowerment schemes

- (1) Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme
- (2) Post-Matric Scholarship Scheme
- (3) Merit-cum-Means based Scholarship Scheme

B. Employment and Economic Empowerment Schemes

- (4) Pradhan Mantri Virasat ka Samvardhan (PM VIKAS)
- (5) Equity to National Minorities Development and Finance Corporation (NMDFC) for providing concessional loans to Minorities

C. Special Schemes

- (6) Jiyo Parsi: A Scheme for reversing the population decline of Parsis in India
 (7) Quami Waqf Board Taraqqiati Scheme (QWBTS) and Shahari Waqf Sampatti Vikas Yojana (SWSVY)

D. Infrastructure Development Schemes

- (8) Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJKV)

3. Details of the allocation of budget for the Ministry, total budget, percentage and unutilized amount at the end of each year during the last five years are given as under:

Years	Allocation of Budget to Ministry of Minority Affairs	Total Budget (BE)	%age of total budget	Unutilized amount
2017-18	4171.98	7546144.03	0.055	31.69
2018-19	4700.00	9461524.08	0.049	846.99
2019-20	4700.00	9818903.82	0.048	194.87
2020-21	5029.00	11039822.13	0.045	1030.44
2021-22	4810.77	11716711.35	0.041	485.53
2022-23	5020.50	12243046.57	0.041	-

(Rs. in crore)

4. A Comparative statement showing budgetary allocation and achievements under major schemes of Ministry of Minority Affairs before 2014-15 and since 2014-15 is as under: -

S. No.	Name of the Schemes	Achievements	
		Before 2014-15	Since 2014-15 to 2021-22
1	Budget allocation (Rs. in crore)		
	BE	15,478	34,558
	RE	13,443	32,675
2	Scholarship schemes	3.03 crore beneficiaries	Approx. 5.23 crore beneficiaries
3	Employment-oriented skill development programme	20,164 beneficiaries	6.89 lakh beneficiaries
4	Financial Assistance for self-	6.94 lakh	10.13 lakh

	Employment (NMDFC)	beneficiaries	beneficiaries
5	Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK) (w.e.f 2008-09)	Budget Allocation Rs.5341.78 crore	Budget Allocation Rs. 11118 crore
		No. of Major projects approved 31329	No. of Major projects approved 49000

5. As of present, there is a cumulative balance of Rs. 2520 crore (approx.) lying in State Nodal Agency (SNA) accounts of respective State/UT governments under PMJVK scheme and a large part of this is likely to be unspent even at the end of current financial year. Accordingly, BE for PMJVK has been reduced for the Financial Year 2023-24 to Rs. 600 crore, as against Rs. 1650 crore during the current Financial Year.

(c) No, Sir. Does not arise in view of reply to part (a), (b) & (d) above.
