

Reforms in Wakf Sector

939. SHRI SABIR ALI:

SHRI MOHAMMED ADEEB:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposed to bring about reforms in the Wakf sector; and
- (b) if so, the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHEED): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) Details are under process.

Muslims Below Poverty Line

940. SHRI ABDUL WAHAB PEEVEE: Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes to conduct any survey to identify Muslims living below poverty line in each State and provided a BPL number;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the schemes formulated to ameliorate the economic status of Muslims?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHEED): (a) No, Sir.

- (b) Does not arise.

(c) National Minorities Development and Finance Corporation (NMDFC), a Public Sector Enterprise under the administrative control of Ministry of Minority Affairs, provides loans at concessional rates for self employment / income generating activities to persons belonging to the minority communities living below double the poverty line, under its various schemes viz. Term Loan, Micro Financing, Mahila Samridhi Yojana, Vocational Training and Marketing Assistance etc. NMDFC provides loans to individuals through State Channelising Agencies (SCAs) which are nominated by the respective State/UT Governments. It also provides micro-credit through Non-governmental Organizations (NGOs).

The scheme of Multi-Sectoral Development Programme being implemented by the Government aims, *inter alia*, at improving the selected socio-economic and basic amenities' parameters in the Minority Concentration Districts (MCDs) during the Eleventh Five Year Plan period. The Government is also implementing coaching/scholarship schemes for students belonging to minority communities which aim to equip them for engaging in income generating activities.

Re-unification of Wakf Boards

941. SHRI MOHAMMED ADEEB: Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state: