

Scholarship to minorities in Rajasthan

†1576. SHRI ASHK ALI TAK: Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of minority community students in Rajasthan, given scholarship during 2009-10;
- (b) the number of girl students out of them provided with scholarship;
- (c) the details of scholarships provided for pre-matriculation, post-matric and higher education; and
- (d) whether Government contemplates to abolish the essentiality of enclosing minority (Muslim) certificate with the scholarship application form?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHEED): (a) to (c) The details of scholarships awarded to students belonging to minority communities in Rajasthan during 2009-10 under the schemes of Ministry of Minority Affairs are as under:

| Scheme | Total no. of scholarships | Out of total no. of girl students | Amount released (Rs. in crore) |
|---|---|---|--------------------------------------|
| Pre-matric scholarship | 60,318 | 26,124 | 4.72 |
| Post-matric scholarship | 8,144 | 3,869 | 4.00 |
| Merit-cum-means scholarship | 956 | 168 | 2.40 |
| Maulana Azad National Fellowship scheme | A sum of Rs.14.90 crore has been placed at the disposal of University Grants Commission for award of 756 fellowships throughout the country. Out of these 21 (including 6 for girl students) are earmarked for Rajasthan. | | |

(d) No, Sir.

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