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कर्नल राज्यवर्द्धन सिंह राठौर: सर, मॉडर्नाइजेशन का जो प्रोसेस है, वह एक कॉन्टिन्युइंग प्रोसेस है। प्रसार भारती यह यकीन करती है कि दूरदर्शन के पास latest technology का equipment हो। उसके साथ-साथ उस latest technology के अंदर जो ट्रेनिंग होगी, वह भी शुरू करवाई जाएगी।

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO STARRED QUESTIONS

Action taken on the report of Amitabh Kundu Committee

- \$82 . PROF. M.V.RAJEEV GOWDA: Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether there has been any action taken on the report of the Amitabh Kundu Committee set up to look at the socio-economic and educational status of the Muslim community , if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether there is any shortage of fund for the various programmes run by the Ministry as has been highlighted by the Amitabh Kundu Committee report, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor:
- (c) whether there has been any underspending on schemes run by the Ministry in the current fiscal: and
- (d) if so, the difference between the budgetary allocation and actual expenditure during the current financial year?

THE MINSTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (DR. NAJMA A. HEPTULLA): (a) to (d) The Ministry of Minority Affairs constituted a Committee on 05.08.2013 under the Chairmanship of Professor Amitabh Kundu of Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi primarily to evaluate the process of implementation of decisions taken by Government of India on the recommendations of Sachar Committee and to assess the efficacy of the Prime Minister's New 15 Point Programme, and to recommend interventions and corrective measures in policies and programmes. The Committee has since submitted its Report on 09.10.2014.

The Report was examined in this Ministry. In the meeting held on 23.01.2015, the recommendations of the Committee were discussed in detail and it was decided that the views of the concerned Ministries/ Departments should be obtained. Accordingly, the recommendations have been sent to all the concerned Ministries/ Departments and NITI

Aayog. Their response is awaited.

The Amitabh Kundu Committee has observed that available financial resources and physical targets have been meagre in relation to the deprivation of the minorities, especially Muslims, and for some of the schemes this meagre amount has not been fully utilised and this requires that allocation of resources to the Ministry of Minority Affairs be increased. With regard to the schemes of the Ministry of Minority Affairs, the Committee has recommended, *inter alia*, that there is a need to make the number of scholarships demand-driven, allocation under Multi-sectoral Development Programme (MsDP) need to be increased and allocation for Leadership Development Scheme for Minority Women needs to be substantially enhanced.

The budgetary allocation of Ministry of Minority Affairs has been increased from ₹ 7,000 crore in the Eleventh Five Year Plan to ₹ 17,323 crore in the Twelth Five Year Plan. The allocation and expenditure during the Twelth Plan on the major schemes of the Ministry are as under:

Year-wise allocation and expenditure during Twelfth Plan

(₹in crore)

	Scholarship/ Fellowship schemes		Jan Vikas Karyakaram (Multi-sectoral Development Programme)		Nai Roshni – Leadership Development for Minority Women		Total Plan Expenditure/ outlay	
	R.E.	Actual Exp.	R.E.	Actual Exp.	R.E.	Actual Exp.	R.E.	Actual Exp.
2012-13	1386.60	1359.76	649.56	641.26	12.80	10.45	2200.00	2158.00
2013-14	1843.54	1788.59	958.53	953.48	14.74	11.95	3111.00	3007.49
2014-15 (Provisiona upto 31.01.		1747.76	770.94	754.93	14.00	12.19	3140.00	2722.67

R.E. - Revised Estimates

The Budget Estimates of the plan schemes of the Ministry of Minority Affairs for the current year 2014-15 was ₹ 3711 crore. Ministry of Finance, after reviewing the expenditure upto September, 2014 of this Ministry in the pre-budget meeting, revised the allocation to ₹ 3140 crores in the Revised Estimates. Since there was no cut imposed on the Scholarship schemes, the allocation of other schemes have been reduced accordingly. The actual expenditure incurred till 31.01.2015 is ₹ 2722.67 crores (provisional), which is 87% of the Revised Estimates.