306	Written Ans	Vritten Answers to [RAJYA SAE		A]	Unstarred Questions	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
17.	Karnataka	5,28,50,562	82,93,576	15.69%	64,63,127	77.93%
18.	Kerala	3,18,41,374	1,39,30,586	43.75%	78,63,842	56.45%
19.	Lakshadweep	60,650	58,419	96.32%	57,903	99.12%
20.	Madhya Pradesh	6,03,48,023	49,17,370	8.15%	38,41,449	78.12%
21.	Maharashtra	9,68,78,627	1,86,84,688	19.29%	1,02,70,485	54.97%
22.	Manipur	21,66,788	9,93,557	45.85%	1,90,939	19.22%
23.	Meghalaya	23,18,822	17,36,740	74.90%	99,169	5.71%
24.	Mizoram	8,88,573	8,53,907	96.10%	10,099	1.18%
25.	Nagaland	19,90,036	18,29,955	91.96%	35,005	1.91%
26.	Odhisa	3,68,04,660	16,96,355	4.61%	7,61,985	44.92%
27.	Puducherry	9,74,345	1,28,179	13.16%	59,358	46.31%
28.	Punjab	2,43,58,999	1,53,47,995	63.01 %	3,82,045	2.49%
29.	Rajasthan	5,65,07,188	63,40,135	11.22%	47,88,227	75.52%
30.	Sikkim	5,40,851	1,97,209	36.46%	7,693	3.90%
31.	Tamil Nadu	6,24,05,679	79,54,004	12.75%	34,70,647	43.63%
32.	Tripura	31,99,203	4,57,512	14.30%	2,54,442	55.61%
33.	Uttar Pradesh	16,61,97,921	3,21,39,937	19.34%	3,07,40,158	95.64%
34.	Uttarakhand	84,89,349	12,72,965	14.99%	10,12,141	79.51%
35.	West Bengal	8,01,76,197	2,11,20,671	26.34%	2,02,40,543	95.83%
	All India	1,02,86,10,328	19,36,64,246	18.83%	13,81,88,240	71.38%

Source: Census of India 2001

## New schemes of NMDFC

589. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of MINOTIRY AFFAIRS be pleased to state the details of new schemes of National Minority Development and Finance Corporation (NMDFC)?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRI MUKHTAR ABBAS NAQVI): The National Minorities Development and Finance Corporation (NMDFC) has established Maulana Azad National Academy for Skills (MANAS) as a non-profit society in November, 2014 for promoting entrepreneurship with credit linkages among minorities. Based on market demand, the academy provides an All India level framework for Entrepreneurship and Skill Development Programme (E&SDP), imparting training to minority population. After training, NMDFC provides concessional credit to the trainees for setting up/upgrading their own business enterprises.

Further, NMDFC has introduce a new annual family income eligibility limit of up to ₹6.00 lakhs by adopting the "Creamy Layer" criterion in order to enhance the outreach of NMDFC and cover more number of minority beneficiaries. This is in addition to the existing annual family income eligibility criteria of Rs. 81,000/- for rural areas and ₹ 1.03 lakh for urban areas. Differential interest rates have been introduced for persons from different income groups.

Quantum of loans provided under the schemes of NMDFC has also been increased as follows:-

Name of Schemes	Earlier Loan Limit	Revised Loan Limit
Term Loan	Rs. 10.00 lakh	Rs. 30.00 lakh
Educational Loan for domestic courses	Rs. 10.00 lakh	Rs. 20.00 lakh
Education Loan for Courses Abraod	Rs. 20.00 lakh	Rs. 30.00 lakh
Micro-Finance Scheme	Rs. 50,000 per SHG member.	Rs. 1.50 lakh per SHG member.

## Welfare of minorities

- 590. SHRI GULAM RASOOL BALYAWI: Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that the schemes being implemented by the Ministry for the welfare of minorities are not upto the expectations of the minorities;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that implementation of the schemes has also not been upto the mark and satisfactory;
- (c) whether the schemes would be reviewed with a view to improve them and to provide more benefits to the minorities; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?

Written Answers to

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRI MUKHTAR ABBAS NAQVI): (a) No, Sir. The Scholarship schemes implemented for the educational empowerment of Minority communities i.e. Pre-matric, Post-matric and Merit-cum-Means based Scholarship, Maulana Azad National Fellowship, Free Coaching and Allied Scheme, Support to minority students clearing Prelims conducted by UPSC/ SSC, State Public Service Commission(PSC) etc. and the scheme of Padho Pardesh for providing interest subsidy on educational loans for overseas studies are fulfilling the expectations of minority students. An amount of Rs. 3610.94 crore has been released to award scholarships to 1,70,58,661 students during 2013-14 and 2014-15.

The schemes of (i) Nai Roshni for the Leadership Development of Minority Women, (ii) Seekho aur Kamao for providing placement based skill development trainings to minority youth, (iii) Jiyo Parsi for containing population decline of Parsis in India under