1,06,634 new girls' toilets were constructed and 84,253 dysfunctional girls' toilets were restored during the one year period between 15.8.2014 and 15.8.2015, thus, ensuring availability of girls' toilets in all Government schools having girl students.

# Review of minority status of educational institutions

1366. SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is reviewing the minority status of certain educational institutions; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the names of the institutions whose minority status is under review or proposed to be reviewed?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI): (a) and (b) The minority status of two educational institutions, namely Aligarh Muslim University (AMU) and Jamia Millia Islamia (JMI), which are Central Universities, is *sub-judice* before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India and the High Court of Delhi respectively. The Government has decided to revisit the issue of their minority status to revert to the stand that these Central Universities are not minority institutions.

# Pending proposals for development of schools from Maharashtra

- 1367. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of proposals sent and fund demanded by the State Government of Maharashtra for education and development of schools and colleges during the last three years;
- (b) the number of proposals out of them approved and funds released during the above period; and
- (c) the number of proposals lying pending along with the reasons for pendency?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI): (a) and (b) The details of proposals received, funds approved and funds released to Maharashtra under various Schemes of the Ministry during the last three years are as under:

#### (i) Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA)

(₹ in lakh)

Sl. No.	Year	Amount for which proposals received	Amount approved for the year	Fund released during the year		
1.	2013-14	222782.39	129923.64	65653.65		
2.	2014-15	217078.59	141887.37	58288.54		
3.	2015-16	361791.00	157494.84	41225.28		
(ii) Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA)						
1.	2013-14	129988.76	8258.73	4703.38		
2.	2014-15	175693.10	10160.06	23451.85		
3.	2015-16	95497.42	23415.37	20180.33		
(iii) Mid Day Meal (MDM)						
1.	2013-14	113231.04	118737.53	98376.59		
2.	2014-15	105255.50	105890.44	95059.83		
3.	2015-16	127517.56	107469.67	103072.93		

The amount approved for the year 2013-14 and 2014-15 is more than the proposal as the cooking cost was revised by 7.5% from the month of July in both the years.

#### (iv) Infrastructure Development in Minority Institutions (IDMI)

Sl. No.	Year	No. of proposals received	Proposals approved	Fund released during the year (₹ in lakh)
1.	2013-14	102	61	605.27
2.	2014-15	44	60	572.34
3.	2015-16	123	0*	0

<sup>\*</sup>No viable proposals were received from the State in 2014-15.

## (v) National Scheme of Incentive to Girls for Secondary Education (NSIGSE)

Three proposals for academic years 2012-13, 2013-14 and 2014-15 under the Centrally Sponsored "National Scheme of Incentive to Girls for Secondary Education" were received from State Government of Maharashtra during the last three years. Three proposals for academic years 2011-12, 2012-13 and 2013-14 had been sanctioned for ₹ 16.71 crore and ₹ 15.28 crore and

₹ 10.23 crore respectively. The proposal for academic year 2014-15 for ₹ 15.52 crore was received in 2015-16 and could not be sanctioned due to limited availability of budget.

### (vi) National Means-cum-Merit Scholarship Scheme (NMMSS)

- 25 proposals amounting to ₹ 91.17 crore were received during last three years from the State Government of Maharashtra under NMMSS and 20 proposals amounting to ₹ 78.27 crore were sanctioned which also included the proposals received in the year 2012-13. 5 proposals amounting to ₹ 32.43 crore could not be sanctioned due to limited availability of budget in 2015-16.
- (vii) No proposal has been received by UGC from Government of Maharashtra for education and development of colleges during the last three years. However, under the scheme of General Development Assistance-XII Plan, grants released to colleges in Maharashtra are as under:

Year	Nos. of Colleges assisted	Grant Released (₹ in crores)
2013-14	780	40.16
2014-15	91	11.45
2015-16	30	1.78
Total	901	53.39

(c) The proposal under NSIGSE for 2014-15 for ₹ 15.52 crore and five proposals amounting to ₹ 32.43 crore under NMMSS for 2015-16 could not be sanctioned due to limited availability of budget in 2015-16.

#### Delay in payment to scholars

- 1368. DR. K. KESHAVA RAO: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) the total number of scholarships, research fellowship funds and grants made by Government in a given year;
- (b) whether there have been any substantial delays in payment due to the scholars abounding their research work; and
  - (c) the number of scholars who are yet to receive the money due to them?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI): (a) The University Grants Commission (UGC) has informed that