Equity to National Minorities Development and Finance Corporation (NMDFC) for providing concessional loans to minorities for self-employment and income generating ventures.

The details of the ongoing schemes/programmes are also available on the website of this Ministry [www.minorityaffairs.gov.in; www.maef.nic.in and www.nmdfc.org.]

Financial assistance to Madrasas and Maktabs

2365. SHRIMATI JHARNA DAS BAIDYA: Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number and details of Madrasas and Maktabs operating in the country, State-wise;
- (b) the details of funds allocated in the last two years for the financial assistance of Madrasas and Maktabs; and
- (c) the steps taken so far to establish more Madrasas and Maktabs for the betterment of children?

THE MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRI MUKHTAR ABBAS NAQVI): (a) The State-wise details of Madarsas available on the Unified District Information on School Education (UDISE), of Ministry of Human Resource Development (D/o School Education & Literacy) is given in Statement (*See* below).

(b) and (c) The Department of School Education & Literacy, M/o Human Resource Development is implementing a Centrally Sponsored Umbrella Scheme for Providing Education to Madarasas/Minorities (SPEMM) which comprises two schemes *viz.* Scheme for Providing Quality Education in Madarsas (SPQEM) and Infrastructure Development of Minority Institutions (IDMI). Under SPQEM, financial assistance is provided under the scheme to introduce Science, Mathematics, Social Studies, Hindi and English in the curriculum so that academic proficiency for Classes I-XII can be attained by children in traditional institutions like Madarsas and Maktabs, along with opportunities to acquire education comparable to the National Education System for secondary and senior secondary levels. Teachers appointed under the Scheme, are also provided inservice training for teaching modern subjects of science, mathematics, social studies, Hindi and English, to improve their pedagogical skill and quality of teaching.

Under IDMI scheme, financial assistance is provided to facilitate education of minorities by augmenting and strengthening school infrastructure in Minority institutions (elementary/secondary/senior secondary schools) in order to expand facilities for formal

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education to children of minority communities, and to encourage educational facilities for girls, children with special needs and those who are most deprived educationally amongst the minorities.

Details of funds allocated and released to Madarsas/Maktabs by the Ministry of Human Resource Development during the last two years are given in the following table:

(₹ in lakh)

Year	Budget (Revised Estimates)
2017-18	12,000
2018-19	12,000

Further, under the Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK) of Ministry of Minority Affairs, projects to the tune of ₹26.93 crore have been sanctioned to various State Governments, for Madarsas in the last two years. The major projects sanctioned are: Additional Classrooms- 293, Hostels- 5, Toilets-157 and Tube Wells-18

Apart from the above, Maulana Azad Education Foundation (MAEF) under the aegis of Ministry of Minority Affairs has also taken steps to improve Madarsa education as under:

- (i) Bridge Courses are being provided to Madarsa students/dropouts for helping them to continue mainstream education.
- (ii) Training to Madarsa Teachers is being provided with a view to improve the teaching quality in Madarsas and to equip the Madarsa teachers with modern teaching techniques.

Statement
State-wise Number of Madarsas

State/UTs	2018-19
1	2
Andhra Pradesh	258
Assam	179
Bihar	1757
Chandigarh	3

Source: UDISE 2018-19 - Provisional

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Free coaching to minority students

2366. SHRI K. SOMAPRASAD: Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

the details of eoaching institutions providing free coaching to minority students in the country, State-wise;