

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3639
ANSWERED ON 04.04.2022

REDUCTION IN BUDGETARY ALLOCATION OF THE MINISTRY

3639 SHRI JAWHAR SIRCAR:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) The reasons for the budget estimate for the Ministry of Minority Affairs being reduced from ₹ 4810.77 crore to ₹ 4346.45 crore in the financial year 2021-22
- (b) how much of this reduced budget was actually spent; and
- (c) the numbers of scholarships under different categories given by the Government each year during the last five years and what is their individual amount?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS
(SHRI MUKHTAR ABBAS NAQVI)

(a) & (b) Due to COVID-19 pandemic, the budget estimates for the Ministry of Minority Affairs have been reduced at Revised Estimates (RE) stage in the financial year 2021-22. However, an increased amount of ₹ 5020.50 crore has been allocated in F.Y. 2022-23. Also, Ministry has expended 98.46% of the allocated budget in 2021-22.

(c) The Ministry of Minority Affairs implements Pre-matric, Post Matric and Merit cum mean scholarship scheme for educational empowerment of students or beneficiaries belonging to six notified minority communities i.e. Muslim, Christian, Sikh, Buddhist, Jain, Zoroastrian (Parsi) in all States across the country. Also Maulana Azad Education Foundation implements Begum Hazrat Mahal National Scholarship for meritorious girls belonging to minority community. Since 2014-15, 5.20 crore Scholarships have been provided to the students belonging to minority communities compared to 3.03 crore scholarships before 2014-15.

The year-wise details of the aforesaid Scholarships awarded during each of the last five years i.e. from 2016-17 to 2021-22 are as follows:

Year	Total
2016-17	49,33,933
2017-18	62,42,892
2018-19	66,93,890
2019-20	67,24,551
2020-21	62,62,692
2021-22*	66,44,642

* Data Provisional for 2021-22. Disbursement of Scholarships continues in 2022-23.

The rates/amount admissible under the aforesaid 3 scholarship schemes are at
Annexure:

Annexure referred to in reply to part (c) of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No 3639 for answer on 04.04.2022 regarding Reduction in the budgetary allocation of the Ministry

PRE-MATRIC SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME

S. No.	Item	Hosteller	Day Scholar
1.	Admission fee from class VI to X	Rs.500/- per annum subject to actual.	Rs.500/- per annum subject to actual.
2.	Tuition fee from class VI to X	Rs.350/- per month subject to actual.	Rs.350/- per month subject to actual.
3.	Maintenance allowance (payable for a period not exceeding 10 months in an academic year)		
	(i) Class I to V*	Nil	Rs. 100/- per month
	(ii) Class VI to X*	Rs. 600/- per month.	Rs. 100/- per month

POST MATRIC SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME

S. No.	Item	Hosteller	Day scholar
1	Admission and Tuition fee for classes XI and XII.	Actual subject to a maximum ceiling of Rs.7,000 per annum	Actual subject to a maximum ceiling of Rs.7,000 per annum
2	Admission and course/tuition fee for technical and vocational courses of XI and XII level. (Includes fees/charges for raw materials, etc.)	Actual subject to a maximum ceiling of Rs.10,000 per annum	Actual subject to a maximum ceiling of Rs.10,000 per annum
3	Admission and tuition fee for under-graduate, post graduate.	Actual subject to a maximum ceiling of Rs.3,000 per annum	Actual subject to a maximum ceiling of Rs.3,000 per annum
4	Maintenance allowance for 10 months only in an academic year (Includes expenses for study material, etc.)		
	(i) Classes XI and XII including technical and vocational courses of this level.	Rs. 380 per month	Rs. 230 per month
	(ii) Courses other than technical and professional courses at under-graduate and post graduate level	Rs. 570 per month	Rs. 300 per month
	(iii) M. Phil and Ph.D. (For those researchers who are not awarded any fellowship by university or any other authority)	Rs. 1200 per month	Rs. 550 per month

MERIT-CUM-MEANS BASED SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME:-

S. No.	Item	Hostellers	Day Scholars
1.	Maintenance Allowance (for 10 month only)	Rs.1,000/- per month	Rs.500/- per month
2.	Course Fee*	Rs.20,000/-p.a. or actual whichever is less	Rs.20,000/-p.a. or actual whichever is less

** Full course fee is reimbursed for applicants from 85 eligible listed institutions.*

BEGUM HAZRAT MAHAL NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME:-

S. No.	Class	Amount of Scholarship
1.	Class IX & X	Rs. 5,000/-
2.	Class Xi & XII	Rs. 6,000/-