

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. *66
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.12.2024

IMPLEMENTATION STATUS OF NAYA SAVERA SCHEME IN GOA

***66. SHRI SADANAND MHALU SHET TANAVADE:**

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the status and progress of the Naya Savera Scheme's 'Free Coaching and Allied Scheme' in Goa, including details of coaching centres established, districts covered, partnerships with local institutions, and any unique initiatives to support minority students in Goa; and
- (b) the group-wise details of the number of beneficiaries from different minority communities in Goa who have received free coaching for qualifying exams, including entrance tests, Government competitive exams, and professional certifications, along with information on success rates, placement statistics, and feedback mechanisms to assess the scheme's effectiveness?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS
(SHRI KIREN RIJIU)

- (a) & (b): A statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. *66 FOR ANSWER ON 02.12.2024 REGARDING IMPLEMENTATION STATUS OF NAYA SAVERA SCHEME IN GOA BY SHRI SADANAND MHALU SHET TANAVADE

(a) & (b): 'Naya Savera' (Free Coaching and Allied scheme) of the Ministry was launched in 2007-08 to assist students/candidates belonging to the six notified minority communities namely Sikh, Jain, Muslim, Christian, Buddhist and Parsi by way of special coaching for qualifying examinations for admission in technical/professional courses and competitive examination for recruitment to Group 'A', 'B', & 'C' services and other equivalent posts under the Central and State Governments including public sector undertakings, banks and railways. The scheme was implemented across the country through empanelled Project Implementing Agencies (PIAs). The scheme did not envisage establishment of coaching centres. The scheme has been discontinued with effect from 2022-23 being contrary to the provisions of the New Education Policy. Under the scheme, a total 1,19,273 number of students/candidates have been provided coaching for qualifying examinations, including 50 students/candidates from the State of Goa. District-wise and Group-wise number of students benefitted is not maintained under the scheme. The details of students/candidates successfully qualifying the various entrance exams are being independently verified along with the receipt of candidate feedback for effective implementation of the scheme. Further, the scheme was evaluated through reputed 3rd party agencies from time-to-time to gauge the effectiveness of the scheme.
