

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 123
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.02.2025

NAYA SAVERA SCHEME

123.SHRI M. MOHAMED ABDULLA:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the manner in which Government assess the impact of the Naya Savera Scheme on minority students' participation in Government services, and the specific representation targets set and monitored;
- (b) the strategies to ensure that coaching under the Naya Savera Scheme effectively prepares minority students for competitive exams, and the manner in which their employment success is tracked;
- (c) the manner in which Government gather feedback from beneficiaries to improve the program's outreach and effectiveness in enhancing career opportunities; and
- (d) the steps Government has taken with Tamil Nadu to implement that the Scheme, and the way region-specific challenges are addressed?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS

(SHRI KIREN RIJJU)

(a) to (d): '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 at pan India level including Tamil Nadu through empanelled Project Implementing Agencies (PIAs). The scheme has been discontinued with effect from 2022-23. Under the scheme, a total 1,19,273 number of students/candidates were provided coaching for qualifying examinations. The details of students/candidates successfully qualifying the various entrance exams are being independently verified through the respective web portals and the candidate feedback about the coaching is also gathered. Further, the scheme was evaluated through reputed 3rd party agencies from time-to-time to gauge the effectiveness of the scheme.
