

Ministry of Minority Affairs

1. The Ministry of Minority Affairs, created in January, 2006, has been mandated for formulation of policies, schemes and programmes for welfare and socio-economic development of 6 (six) notified minority communities namely, Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists, Parsis and Jains, which constitute more than 19% of India's population.
2. Ministry adopted a multi-pronged strategy for development of minority communities with focus on educational empowerment; infrastructure development; economic empowerment; fulfilling special needs; and strengthening of minority institutions. The welfare and development schemes of the Ministry focus on poor and deprived sections of the minorities. Majority of schemes have devised the eligibility criteria on economic basis to ensure that the benefit reaches to poor and deprived sections.
3. The present Government believes in "**Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikaas**" and therefore gives priority to the welfare and development of deprived minorities. Its Manifesto envisaged its direction for socio-economic empowerment of Minorities by focusing on:
 - a) Education, particularly girls' education;
 - b) Equal opportunities in education and employment;
 - c) Livelihood and Entrepreneurial opportunities;
 - d) Modernization of Madrasas; Strengthening of Waqf Boards;
 - e) Skill Development of traditional artisans/craft persons;
 - f) Preservation of rich heritage of minorities;
 - g) Development of inter-faith consultative mechanisms.

4. Further, the present Government considered continuous increase in the budget allocation in the past three years for minorities. This may be seen in the following tabular representation:-

Budget Allocation and Expenditure for 12th Plan

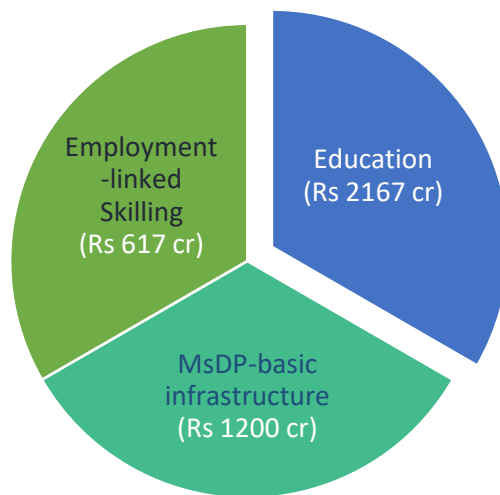
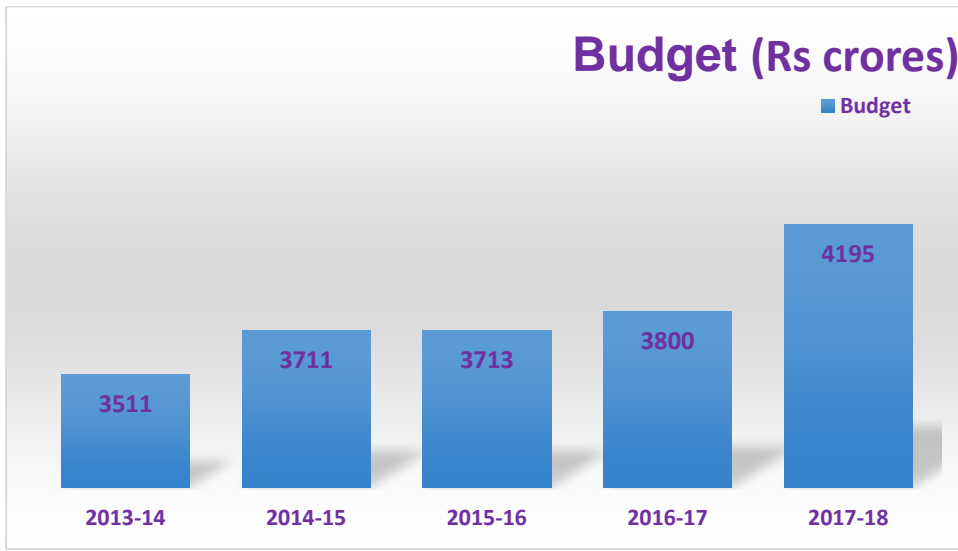
(Rs. in crore)

YEAR	ALLOCATION		EXPENDITURE
	B.E.	R.E.	
12th Five Year Plan – Rs. 17323 crore (Gross Budgetary Support Earmarked)			
2012-13	3135	2200	2158.01
2013-14	3511	3111	3007.49
2014-15	3711	3140	3069.01
2015-16	3712.78	3712.78	3632.26
2016-17	3800	3797.80	3023.54 #
2017-18	4195.48		

The budget of scholarships amounts to Rs.1816 Cr., i.e., 47.78% of the BE.

Due to problems in NSP 2.0 disbursements of Scholarships have been delayed.

Payments are ongoing for previous year.



I. **Educational Empowerment**: About 1 crore 84 lakh Minority beneficiaries viz. Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists, Parsis and Jains have availed various educational schemes of the Ministry of Minority Affairs for their educational empowerment utilising Rs 5,242 crores in the last three years, a significant increase as compared to earlier years as per details given below.

1. **Scholarship Schemes:** Pre-Matric Scholarship (For students from class I to X); Post-matric Scholarship (From class XI to Ph.D) and Merit-cum-Means Based Scholarship (For Professional and Technical courses). 30% scholarships earmarked for girls. Advertisement by State Government/UT Administration in March/April. Scholarships are to be applied online at- www.scholarships.gov.in.

2. **Maulana Azad National Fellowship (MANF)**

- Fellowship for pursuing higher studies such as M.Phil and Ph.D.
- 30% seats earmarked for girls. UGC norms applicable.

3. **Free Coaching & Allied Scheme**

1. Financial assistance is provided for free coaching in selected reputed Coaching Institutions to prepare minority students for competitive examinations for Professional Courses and Government jobs. Admissible Coaching fee:

- Group 'A' & 'B' services : Maximum Rs.20,000/-.
- Group 'C' services : Maximum Rs.15,000/-.

2. For all above, Stipend @ Rs.3000/ p.m. for outstation candidates and @ RS.1500/- p.m. for local candidates (maximum of 4 months).

3. A new component under Free Coaching & Allied Scheme has been added for focused preparation of Minority Students at classes 11 & 12 with Science (Physics, Chemistry, Biology and/or Mathematics).

4. **Nai Udaan** - Support for Minority Students clearing Prelims conducted by Union Public Service Commission, Staff Selection Commission, State Public Service Commission, etc.

- To adequately equip them to compete for appointment to Civil Services in the Union and the State Governments and to increase the representation of the minority in the Civil Services by giving direct financial support to candidates clearing Preliminary Examination of Group A and B Services. The rate of financial assistance is Rs. 50,000/- for Gazetted Post; and Rs 25,000/- for Non- Gazetted Post. For details, login to www.naiudaan-moma.gov.in

5. Padho Pardes scheme-

- The Scheme is operated through Canara Bank.
- Ministry provides full interest subsidy to minority students who avail loans from Banks under IBA for overseas studies at Masters, M.Phil. and Ph.D. Level.

6. Maulana Azad Education Foundation

- The Maulana Azad Education Foundation (MAEF) is a voluntary non-profit making social service organization established to promote education amongst the educationally backward minorities. **Schemes of MAEF:-**

- 1. Begum Hazrat Mahal National Scholarship Scheme for Meritorious Girls: -**
MAEF provides Scholarships to meritorious girl students belonging to the minority communities. Scholarship is given @ Rs. 12,000/- per student (in installments of Rs.6,000/- per year for Class XI and XII to the girl students belonging to minorities).
- 2. Grants-in-Aid by MAEF to the NGO/Societies/Trusts for infrastructure development. For more details log on to www.maef.nic.in**

Scheme-wise achievements under Scholarship & Coaching Section

Sl. No.	Name of the scheme	Financial Year	Physical Target	Physical Achievement	Financial Achievement (In Rs. crore)
1	Free coaching and allied Scheme (Naya Savera)	2013-14	7000	9997	23.66
		2014-15	7000	8168	31.48
		2015-16	7000	16427	44.87
		2016-17	7000	8110[#]	40.00
2	Maulana Azad National Fellowship for minorities (MANF)	2013-14	756	756 [^] (756)	50.02
		2014-15	756	756 [^] (4532 incl. renewal)	0.12
		2015-16	756	756 [^] (5288)	55.52
		2016-17	756	756[^](6044)	119.92
3	"Padho Pardes" - Scheme of Interest Subsidy on Educational Loans for study abroad	2014-15**	100	573	3.50
		2015-16	100	815	4.15
		2016-17	100	727	4.00
4	Support for students clearing Prelims conducted by UPSC, SSC, State Public (Nai Udaan)	2013-14	800	483	1.95
		2014-15	800	786	2.96
		2015-16	800	1071	3.97
		2016-17	800	858	4.00
5	Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme	2013-14	40,00,000	77,94,190	963.70
		2014-15	30,00,000	74,96,593	1,129.27
		2015-16*	30,00,000	51,78,779	905.48
		2016-17*	30,00,000	31,14,015	584.90
6	Post-Matric Scholarship Scheme	2013-14	5,00,000	8,90,467	515.56
		2014-15	5,00,000	9,05,620	501.28
		2015-16*	5,00,000	6,66,840	385.72
		2016-17*	5,00,000	4,86,409	275.76
7	Merit-cum-Means based Scholarship Scheme	2013-14	60,000	1,00,428	259.84
		2014-15	60,000	1,38,770	381.27
		2015-16*	60,000	1,33,582	357.98
		2016-17*	60,000	85,788	218.60

8	Maulana Azad Education Fund (MAEF)				
	(A) Grants-in-Aid to NGOs	2013-14	--	120	15.00
		2014-15	--	48	5.39
		2015-16	--	78	8.71
		2016-17	--	40	6.98
	(B) Begum Hazrat Mahal National Scholarship for Meritorious Girls belonging to the Minorities	2013-14	--	35,159	42.19
		2014-15	--	45,426	54.51
		2015-16	--	48,000	57.60
		2016-17	--	45,000	54.00

Total number of students allotted during 2016-17 – 17000 (approx.)

^Fresh (excluding renewals).

*Data provisional for 2016-17 (also for 2015-16 in respect of scholarship schemes).

Disbursal of Scholarships continues for 2015-16 and 2016-17.

**'Padho Pradesh' Scheme operationalised in 2014-15.

II. Economic Empowerment: Over 5.2 lakh youths including more than 30% women, have been covered under various job-oriented skill training schemes of the Ministry of Minority Affairs at an expenditure of Rs 578 cr in the last three years, which is significantly higher than earlier period as per details given below.

Besides above, over 3 lakh poor minorities have been disbursed concessional loans of Rs 1408 crores for economic and educational activities in the last three years, which is significantly higher than corresponding earlier period.

1. Skill Development - Seekho aur Kamao (Learn & Earn):

In conformity with priority of the present Government for “Skilled India” and “Make in India”, the skill development initiative for minorities “**Seekho aur Kamao (Learn & Earn)**” has been strengthened and expanded and **the outlay has been increased over the years**. The number of minority youths sanctioned/allocated, number of minority youths trained and the funds allocated/released by the present Government since inception of scheme as given below clearly indicate the shift in focus:

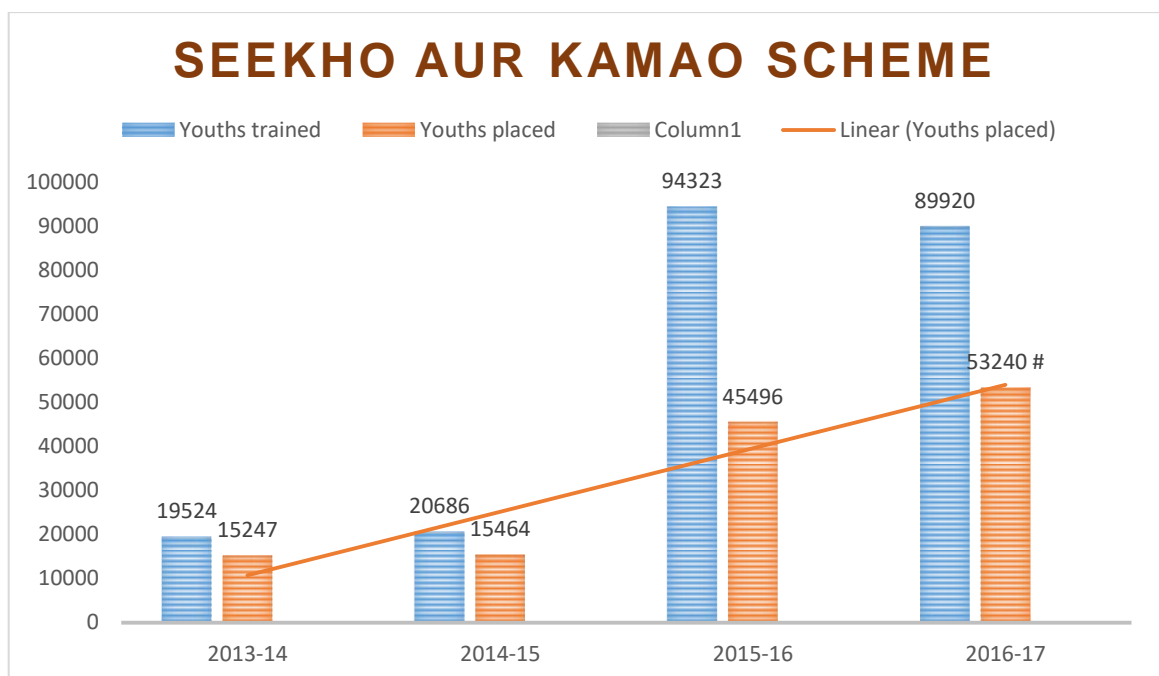
Financial Year	Number of minority youths sanctioned/ allocated	Number of minority youths trained	Funds released (Rs. in Crore)
2013-14	20,164	19,524	16.99
2014-15	20,720	20,686	46.21
2015-16	1,23,330	94,323*	191.96
2016-17	89,920##	**	204.93 [#]

*Figure as on 31.03.2017. **Training in progress; # Part Funds transferred to MAEF for Skill training.## Proposed figure.

This Government is committed to transparency and integrity in the delivery of public goods and hence an Online portal of Seekho Aur Kamao i.e. www.seekhoaurkamao-moma.gov.in has been launched in December, 2015 for Management Information System (MIS) for the general public with details of Project Implementing Agencies (PIAs), trainees, trainers, location of projects etc. Important

information about Project Implementing Agencies, training centres, locations, trainees, sector of training etc. have been kept in public domain through this portal to maintain transparency. Any person can visit the portal and see the information.

- In addition, Ministry is taking action to integrate a Call Centre with this portal to take the feedback from the trainees which will help the Ministry in strengthening the online monitoring.
- In conformity with the priority of Government for “Skill India”, the ‘Seekho Aur Kamao’ scheme has been strengthened and expanded. Around 2.33 lakh minority youths have been covered under the scheme in the last three years to reach out to the aspiring Minority youths and prepare them for the Job Market and also the world of entrepreneurship.



Youths placed, exact data to be ascertained after completion of training for

FY 16-17.

2. USTTAD:

Another new ambitious initiative of the present Government, “**USTTAD (Upgrading the Skills and Training in Traditional Arts/ Crafts for Development)**” was formally launched on 14th May, 2015 at Varanasi (U.P.).

The scheme aims at setting standards of traditional skills, design development, capacity building and updating the traditional skills of master craftsmen and artisans, documentation and preservation. It also aims to engage the trained master craftsmen/artisans in training of minority youths in various specific traditional arts/crafts.

For the first time, the Ministry has engaged the institutions of national repute namely, National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT), National Institute of Design (NID) and Indian Institute of Packaging (IIP) to work in various craft clusters for design intervention; product range development; packaging; exhibitions, tying up with e-marketing portals to enhance sales; and brand building. Out of earmarked Budget of Rs.17.01 crore for 2015-16, Rs. 16.90 crore (more than 99%) has been utilized.

On 30th April, 2016, Ministry launched proto types of four crafts being practiced by minorities, developed with help of NIFT and NID at Varanasi.

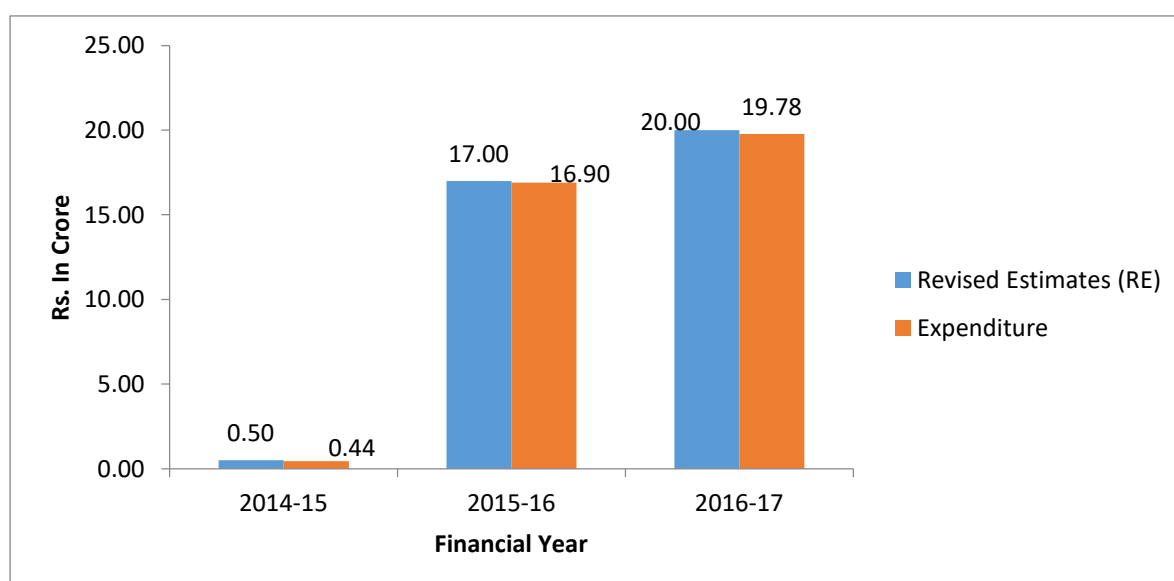
Ministry has signed a MoU with an E-commerce portal shopclues.com for facilitating the market linkages of crafts and training of minority craftsmen in E-commerce. This is also for the first time that the benefit of the immense outreach of the E-commerce platform will be available directly to poor craftsman.

For 2016-17, Ministry earmarked Rs.20 Crore for the scheme. During 2016-17, Ministry has released Rs.19.78 Crore for 16,200 minority youths. During 2017-18, Ministry has earmarked of Rs.22 Crores. For details, login to www.minorityaffairs.gov.in

Funds position in USTTAD Scheme-

(Rs. in crore)

Year	Budgetary Allocation (BE)	Revised Estimates (RE)	Expenditure	Number of minority youths sanctioned/allocated
2014-15 (New scheme)	-	0.50	0.44	-
2015-16	17.00	17.00	16.90	-
2016-17	20.00	20.00	19.78	16,200



3. Nai Manzil

The present Government has launched Nai Manzil scheme, which aims to benefit the minority youths who do not have a formal school leaving certificate, i.e., those in the category of school-dropouts or educated in the community education institutions like the *Madarsas*, in order to provide them formal education and skills, and enable them to seek better employment in the organized sector and thus to equip them for better lives.

The Scheme has been approved with the cost of Rs. 650 Crore for five years. 50% funding has to come from the World Bank. The World Bank has approved the funding of US\$ 50 million.

This is for the first time in the history of minority welfare programmes, when the World Bank has agreed to support such programme. This scheme is also significant as it combines the education as well as skills for school dropouts which will significantly enhance their employability.

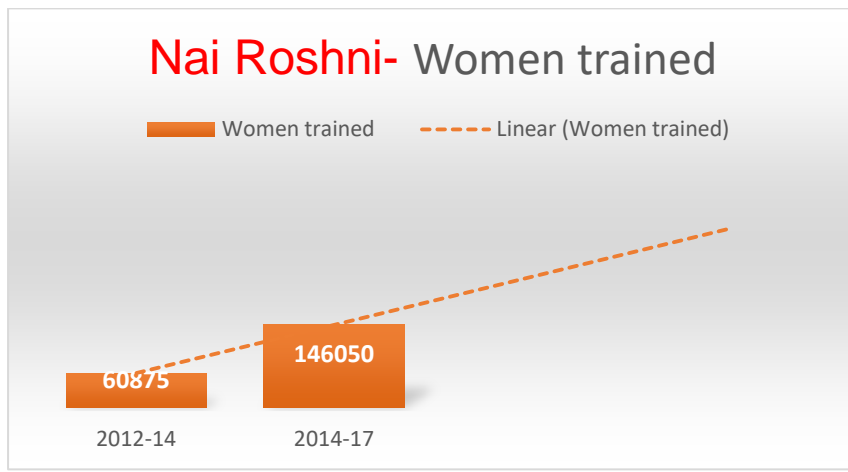
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2016-17 (New scheme)	Rs 120 cr	Rs 118 cr	70,000

III. Special Needs

1. “Nai Roshni”- the scheme of Leadership Scheme for Minority Women:

The Nai Roshni scheme for Leadership development of Minority Women to empower and instill confidence in women by conducting a one week sensitization programme followed by one year of handholding covering issues like decision making, health and hygiene, financial and digital literacy, life skills. This has assisted in creating confidence among minority women and developing leadership spirit in them. This is based on a recent Evaluation Study done by the *Niti Aayog* in 2016 covering 15 districts in 8 states. **The Niti Aayog in its report has appreciated the efforts made by the Ministry.** To maintain transparency and accountability, the OAMS provides Management Information System (MIS) of all trainees, training locations, training schedule and community-wise details, etc. in public domain. **About 1.99 lakh women were covered in the last three years as against aggregated target of 1.20 lakh utilizing about Rs 44 crores. Prior to this period, since formation of this ministry, the total women trained were about 60,875.** For details, login to www.nairoshni-moma.gov.in

Year	B.E (Rs. in Crore)	RE (Rs.in Crores)	Expenditur e (Rs. In Crore)	Physical Target (No. of Women to be Trained)	Achievement (Trainees/Sancti oned women)
2013-14	15.00	14.74	11.96	40,000	60875
2014-15	14.00	14.00	14.00	40,000	71075
2015-16	15.00	15.00	14.99	40,000	58725
2016-17	15.00	15.00	14.75	40,000	69150

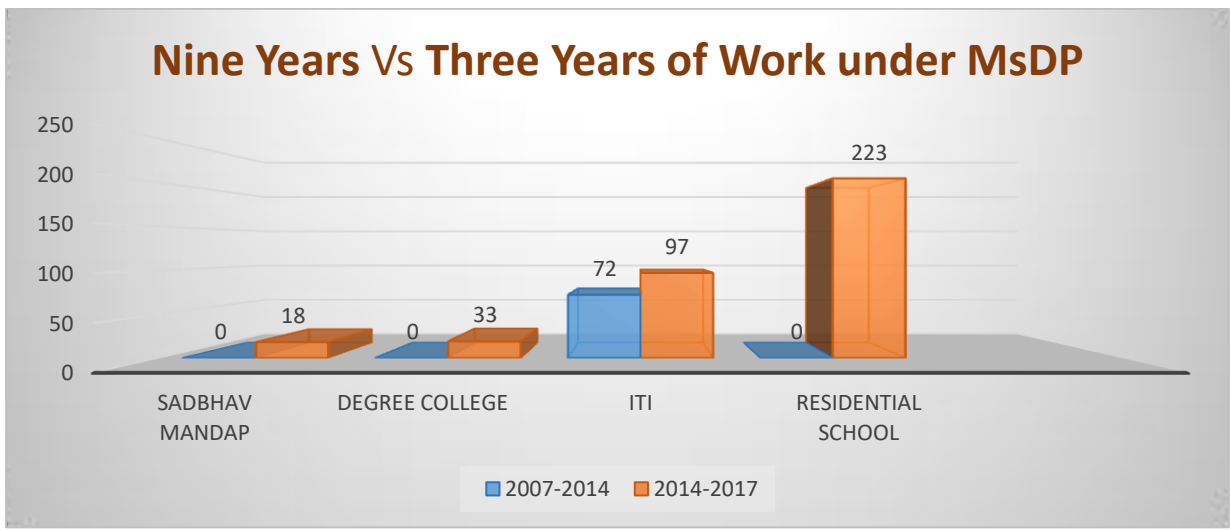
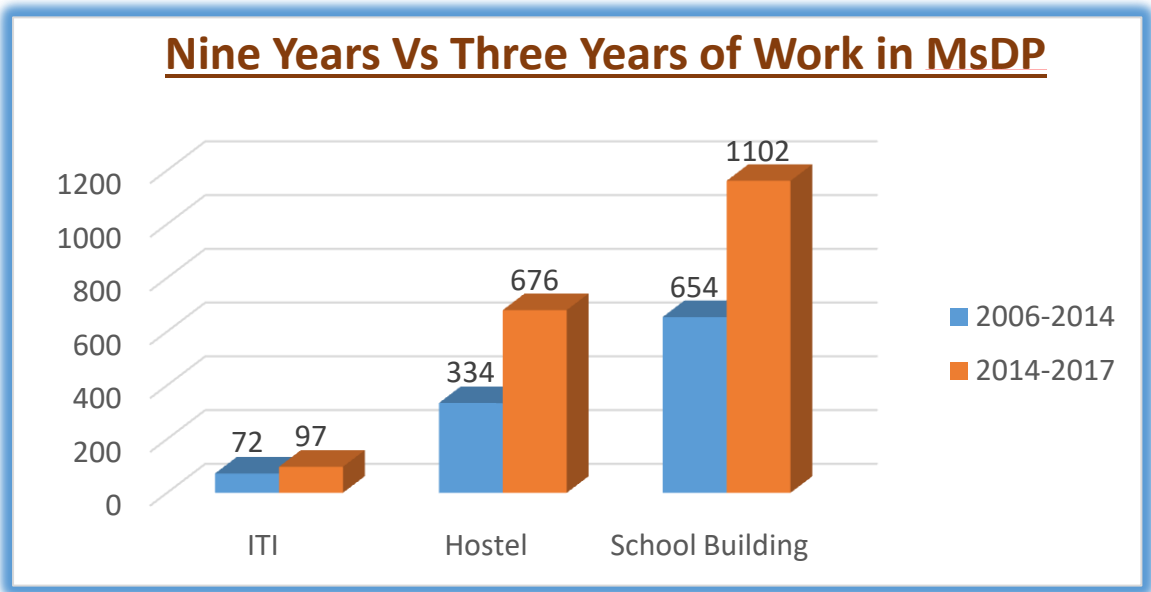


IV. Area Development:

Multi-sectoral Development Programme (MsDP)

- The Multi-sectoral Development Programme (MsDP) was launched initially in the 90 identified Minority Concentration Districts (MCDs) of 20 States/UTs to address the development deficits by creating socio-economic infrastructure and providing basic amenities.
- During the 12th Five Year Plan, the Programme was restructured to make it more effective & more focused on the targeted minorities and the unit area of planning has been changed to blocks/towns instead of district, for sharper focus on the minority concentration areas. The programme has now identified 710 Blocks & 66 towns covering 196 districts besides clusters of contiguous minority concentration villages.

Physical Progress Report on MsDP:



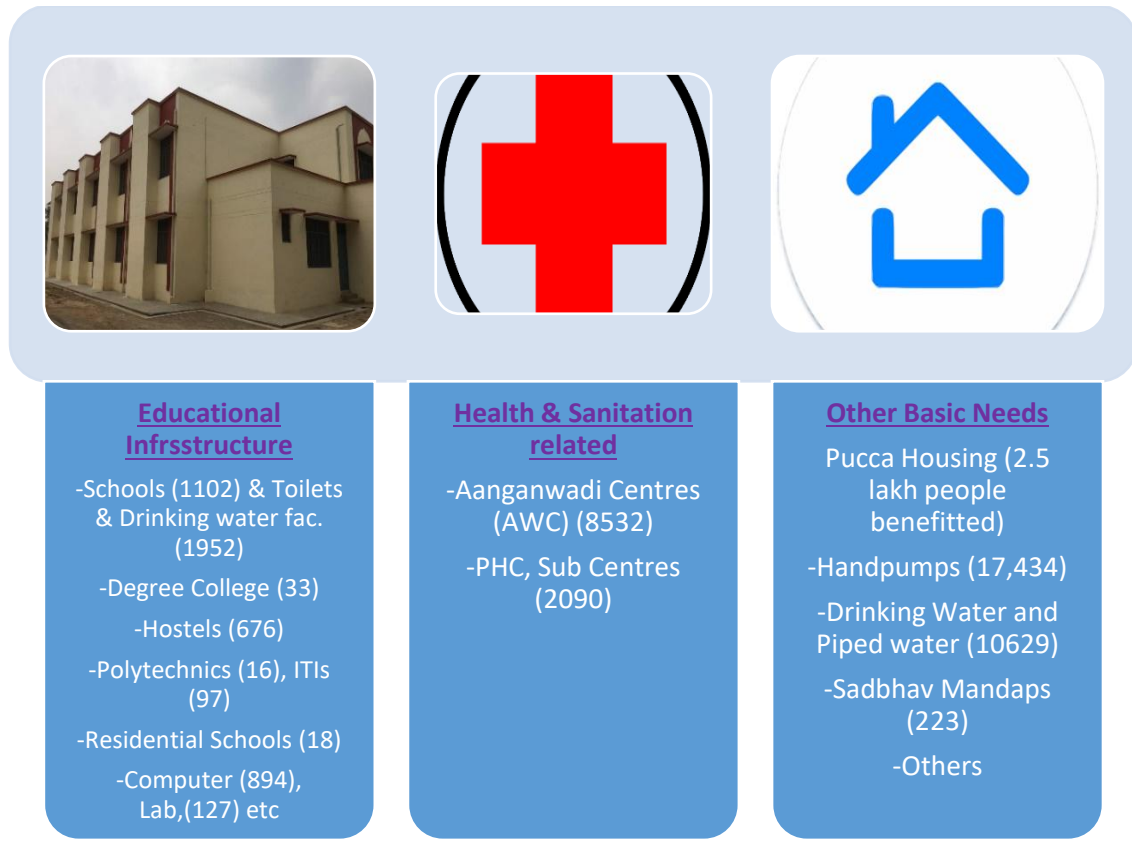
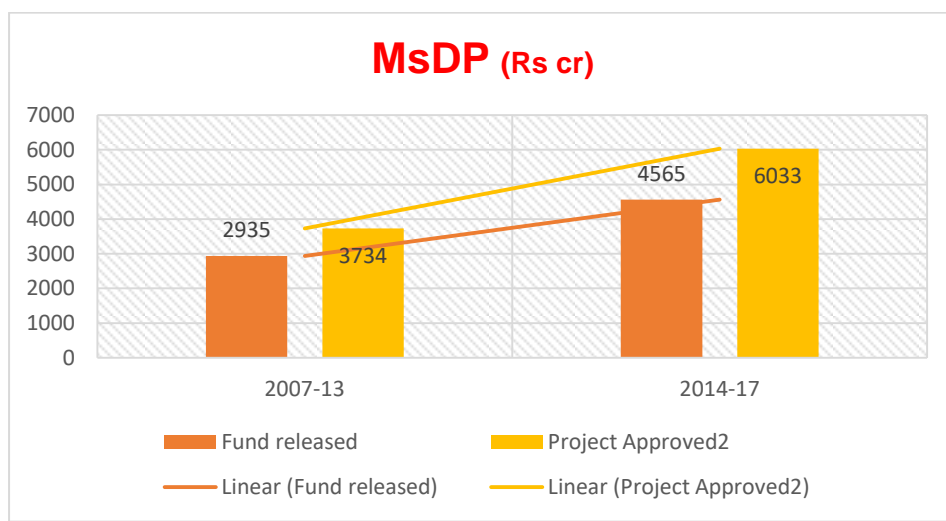


Figure 1 MsDP for basic amenities in Minority Areas last three years-

- **‘Sadbhav Mandap’** is a new initiative for Minorities under the Multi-sectoral Development Programme (**MsDP**) taken up in 2016-17. The Mandap would serve as a Multi-purpose community centre with toilet facilities in minority concentration areas and would have facilities for education & skill development, disaster relief, awareness campaigns, sports facility, social & cultural gatherings, and other such events. About 223 such *Sadbhav Mandaps* have been approved during the last six months in 2016-17 and construction work is in progress.
- Similarly, initiative for construction of *Gurukul-type Residential Schools* has been started in 2016-17 and so far, work on 18 projects has commenced in Telangana, Karnataka and Jharkhand.

Funds approved and released for MsDP Projects:



V. Prime Minister's New 15-Point Programme (PM's New 15-PP):

The programme provides for, wherever possible, 15% of the targets and outlays under various schemes should be earmarked for minorities. The Ministry of Minority Affairs, being nodal Ministry, monitors and reviews 24 schemes and programmes implemented by 17 Central Government Departments. Since the last three years, different ministries have been working effectively for the socio-economic and educational empowerment of especially the poor and backward sections of the minorities and also the infrastructural development mainly in the backward areas of the country. The efforts by various Ministries reflect increase in benefits that are reaching the minorities. Details of achievement under some schemes are as under:

- For self-employment, quality education and other economic activities, the Government is actively providing loans to the Minorities especially the poor, youths, farmers under the Priority Sector Lending (PSL) and as on 31.12.2016, the cumulative lending has reached the highest figure of Rs

2,94,218 crores disbursed to the Minorities. The Minority community-wise break up is as under-

Community	Accounts	Amount disbursed (Rs cr)	Percentage %
MUSLIM	86,19,135	1,35,554.08	46.07
SIKH	18,88,388	69,148.17	23.50
CHRISTIAN	33,35,596	60,441.43	20.54
BUDDHIST	4,56,140	7,044.43	2.39
PARSI	9,707	4,836.16	1.64
JAIN	2,58,399	17,193.92	5.84
TOTAL	1,45,67,365	2,94,218.18	100

- For educational empowerment, 340 primary schools and 11,460 additional classrooms constructed during last three years by D/o School Education & Literacy (HRD Ministry).
- Scheme for Providing Quality Education to Madrasas (SPQEM): Since 2006-07 upto 2013-14, Rs. 797.71 crore was released covering 99,024 teachers in 53,441 Madrasas, whereas during last three years, Rs. 485.64 crore was released covering 93,177 teachers in 38,637 Madrasas (up to 30.09.2016) by D/o School Education & Literacy (HRD Ministry).
- Aanganwadi Centres (AWCs): During the last three years, 850 Aanganwadi Centres / Sub-Centres were established in minority concentration areas. (Women and Child Development).
- The Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, for Minority concentrated districts, against a target of Rs 139 cr, has released Rs 161 cr

for upgradation of ITIs into Centres of Excellence for minorities with an enrolment of 18%.

- Under the *Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana – National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM)*, during the last three years, funds of Rs 111.13 cr were provided to 48,325 Self Help Groups (SHGs) and 67,671 SHGs were promoted for social mobilization; Covered 69,446 beneficiaries under *Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY)*.
- Under the *Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana – National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM)*, during the last three years, funds of Rs 84.86 cr were released to 3,24,508 beneficiaries under various components.
- Similarly, other Ministries including the Rural Development, Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation, Drinking Water & Sanitation, Health and Family Welfare are steadily and effectively increasing their coverage in minority concentrated areas. The Ministry of Minority Affairs is regularly monitoring and reviewing implementation of the *PM's New 15-Point Programme* at the level of Minister and Secretary.

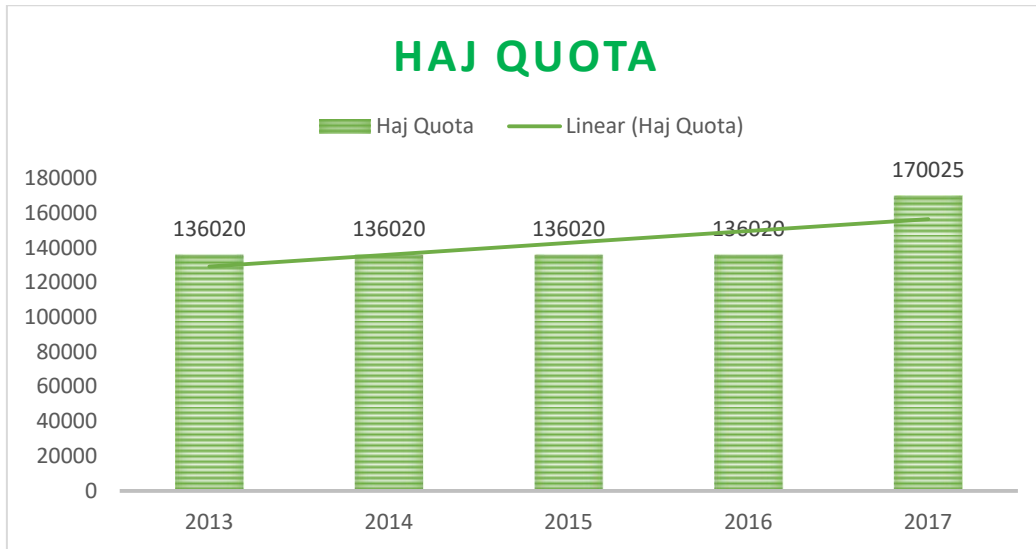
VI. Haj Division

- The work related to management of Haj pilgrimage, including administration of the Haj Committee Act, 2002 and rules made thereunder has been transferred from Ministry of External Affairs to Ministry of Minority Affairs from 1st October, 2016.
- Hajj is one of the most complex organizational tasks undertaken by Government of India outside Indian borders. Indian pilgrims constitute the third largest

national group performing the Haj. The Ministry of Minority Affairs is closely monitoring, organising and coordinating the HAJ-2017 programme. In order to further facilitate and streamline the HAJ operations, the government is taking advance steps to ensure that Haj 2017 is carried out smoothly and conveniently through coordination and cooperation with the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and various stakeholders/agencies in India.

- The Ministry has also launched a new website for Haj namely www.haj.gov.in on 20th December, 2016. Haj Committee of India has launched an android based mobile application on 02nd January, 2017. Application for Haj can be made and payment can also be made directly on the app. The Guidelines, Application and E-payment modules are available on the app.
- The Annual Bilateral Haj Agreement for Haj 2017 between India and Saudi Arabia for the year 1438H (2017) has been signed on 11th January, 2017 during the visit of a High Level Delegation led by Shri Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi, Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Minority Affairs to Saudi Arabia. As per the Annual Bilateral Agreement signed between India and Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for Haj 2017, a quota of 1,70,025 pilgrims (1,25,025 seats for Haj Committee of India and 45,000 seats for Private Tour Operators) has been allocated as against the quota of 1,36,020 pilgrims (1,00,020 seats for Haj Committee of India and 36,000 seats for Private Tour Operators) during previous year.
- A High Level Committee is now actively reviewing the Haj policy 2013-17 and working for framing New Haj Policy 2018-22. In coordination with the Ministry of Shipping, the Ministry is exploring seaway route for Haj Pilgrimage under the new policy. The sea route for Haj Pilgrimage is likely to resume after 23 years, which will be a revolutionary, pilgrim-friendly decision, if things work out and

travel cost could also considerably reduce to almost half. In this regard, coordination is being made with the Ministry of Shipping.

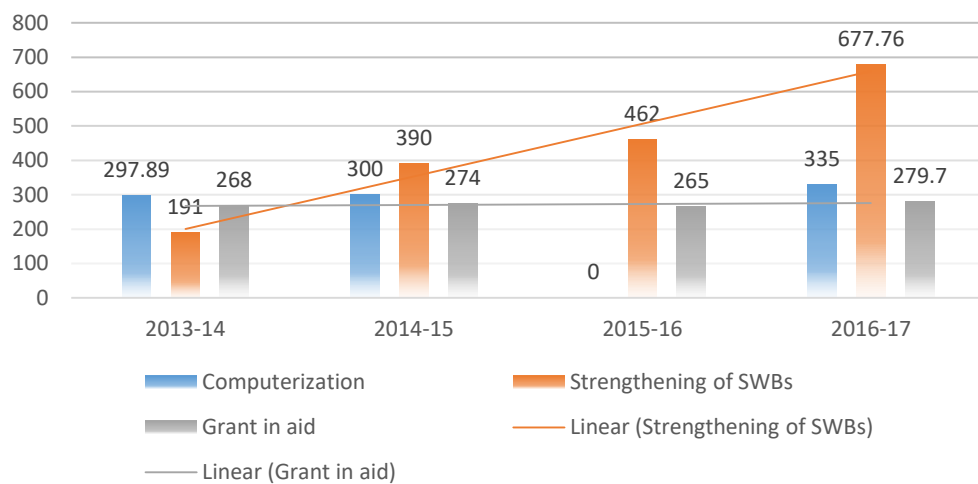


- For Haj-2017, the Ministry of Minority Affairs will be deputing a team comprising of 345 Medical and Para-Medical staff besides 3 Coordinators, 59 Assistant Haj Officers and 191 Haj Assistants to Saudi Arabia to assist Indian Hajjis. The commencement of outbound Haj flights from India to Saudi Arabia are expected from 25th July, 2017.

VII. Waqf Division

Waqf Division implements 3 Schemes. The Scheme wise achievements during the last 3 years is furnished as under:-

STRENGTHENING OF STATE WAQF BOARDS



(i) Scheme for Computerization of the records of the State Waqf Boards

(Rs. in lakh)

Year	BE	RE	Released
2013-14	300	300	297.89
2014-15	300	300	300
2015-16	300	300	-
2016-17	340	340	335

(ii) **Scheme of Strengthening of State Waqf Boards**

(Rs. in lakh)

Year	BE	RE	Released
2013-14	700	193	191*
2014-15	700.00	400.00	390.00
2015-16	670.00	670.00	462.00
2016-17	960.00	960.00	677.76

*Entire funds surrendered due to non-finalization of scheme details.

(iii) **Grants in Aid to Waqf– Development of Urban Waqf Properties**

(Rs. in lakh)

Year	BE	RE	Released
2013-14	318	268	268
2014-15	315	315	274
2015-16	315	315	265
2016-17	315	279.70	279.70

* Physical target under the above mentioned Schemes is not quantifiable. Hence, there is no physical target.

2. In addition to that following major initiatives were taken:-

- (i) Waqf Act, 1995 amended and notified on 1st November, 2013. Central Waqf Council Rules framed vide notification dated 28.05.2014 and amended vide notification dated 22.06.2016.
- (ii) Waqf Properties Lease Rules notified on 5th June, 2014.
- (iii) Scheme for bifurcation of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh Waqf Boards approved vide notification dated 08.09.2015.
- (iv) Central Waqf Council constituted vide notification dated 23.11.2015.
- (v) Model Waqf Rules framed and circulated among all State/ UT Waqf Boards for adoption vide letter dated 28.05.2016.
- (vi) Board of Adjudication constituted under Waqf Act vide notification dated 20.01.2017.
- (vii) Study of Re-structuring of Central Waqf Council awarded to National Institute of Labour Economics Research & Development. The agency has submitted draft study report in January, 2017.

For more details, log on to www.centralwaqfcouncil.gov.in

3. Initiatives taken by NAWADCO:

As per Sachar Committee Report, there are approximately 4.9 lakh immovable Waqf Properties comprising of about 6 lakh acres land in our country. Their estimated annual income is only around Rs.163 crores.

- To enhance the income from these Waqf properties, NAWADCO was incorporated on 31st December, 2013.
- Since, then the company has been creating awareness amongst the State Waqf Boards and Waqf Institutions across the country on the need to develop these properties to earn higher income for direct benefit of the need amongst Muslim Community.
- Fifteen Waqf properties across 7 States have been identified to carry out feasibility/evaluation of these properties for development.
- Feasibility study/evaluation in respect of 4 properties in Rajasthan, 1 in Haryana, 2 in Bihar, and 2 in Andhra Pradesh has been carried out for their development. For details, log on to www.nawadco.org.in

4. Scheme for Computerisation of the records of the State Waqf Boards:

The Scheme for computerization of records of State/UT Waqf Boards (SWBs) is in operation since December, 2009. The scheme is intended to help streamlining record keeping, introduce transparency, and to computerize the various functions/processes of the Waqf Boards. It envisages development of a web-based software application for Waqf Management System of India (WAMSI).

During last 3 years, data of 2,18,233 Immovable Waqf Properties entered in WAMSI Registration Module by State/UT Waqf Board. So far, data of 5,57,126 Immovable Waqf Properties have been entered in WAMSI Registration Module.

➤ **VIII. NMDFC:** National Minorities Development & Finance Corporation:
 Achievements: The Corporation has been rated 'Excellent' by Deptt. of Public Enterprises (DPE) in the last three financial years for achieving above targets results in terms of coverage of number of beneficiaries and financial disbursements. A Committee headed by Secretary (Minority Affairs) has been entrusted to review the old guidelines in respect of various schemes implemented by NMDFC including Disbursement of loan Scheme to Minorities through State Channelizing Agencies (State Government Corporations) to make the procedures more simplified and effective. For details, login to www.nmdfc.org

1. **Excellent MOU rating:** During the financial year 2016-17, NMDFC has again been given excellent rating by the Department of Public Enterprises in view of the significantly higher achievements by NMDFC. The MOU ratings during the last four years are as given below:-

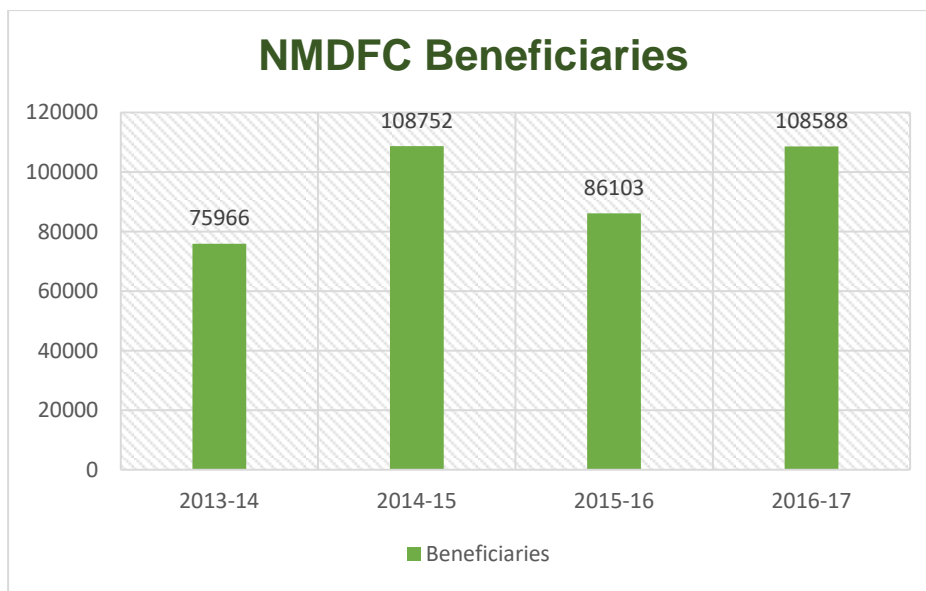
Year	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
MOU rating	Very Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent

2. **Disbursement of funds:** A significantly higher amount of Rs. 460.29 Crores has been disbursed during the financial year 2016-17 (till 27/03/2017). It is also mentioned that NMDFC has disbursed Rs. 503.32 Cr. during the current year, highest so far. The trend of incremental disbursements during the last three years is as shown below:-

Year	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Amount Disbursed (In Rs. Crores)	325.46	431.20	473.29	503.32

1. **Number of beneficiaries covered:** A much higher number of beneficiaries (1.08 lakh) have been assisted during the F.Y. 2016-17. The figures for the last four years are as given below:-

Year	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
No. of beneficiaries assisted	75,966	108752	86,103	1,08,588

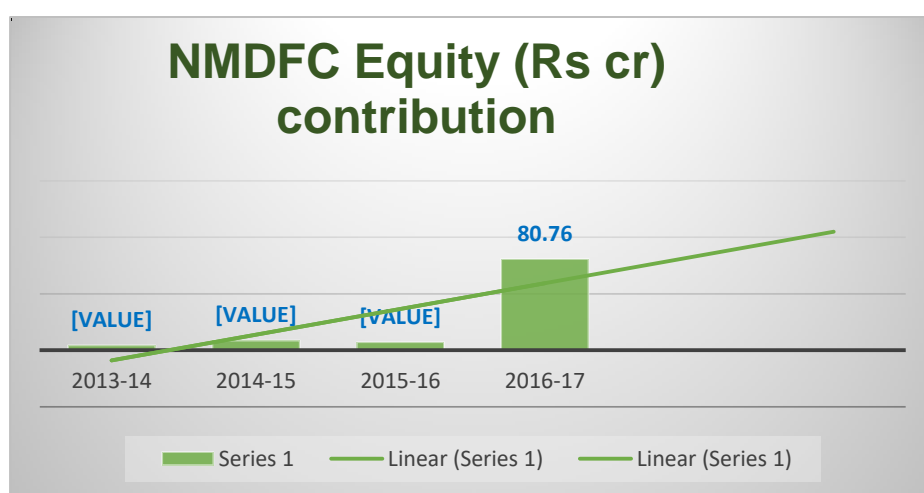


2. **Highest Equity contribution received:** With constant persuasion & follow-up NMDFC has been able to collect highest amount of Rs. 80.76 Crores from

various States /UTs as equity in the share capital of NMDFC during 2016-17.

The figures for the last four years are as given below:-

Year	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Amount of equity received (Rs. Crores)	4.30	8.66	7.02	80.76



3. **Marketing support:** Through Shilp crafts like Hunar Haat.

IX. **Other Initiatives by the Ministry of Minority Affairs:**

(i) 3Ts - Teachers, Tiffin & Toilets:

1. In Maulana Azad Education Foundation, an autonomous organization of the Ministry, a High Level Committee has recently submitted its report for improving education in Madrasas and including mainstream education in about one lakh Madrasas of the country with the concept of “3Ts” - *Teacher, Tiffin & Toilet* (Improving Teachers quality and number; Mid-day Meals in

schools and Madrasas & Construction of Toilets under 'Swachha Vidyalaya' initiative) and work has already started in various schools and Madrasas.

2. In Maulana Azad Education Foundation, the existing old and obsolete guidelines were simplified and revised making it more approachable for the public and a new scheme of skill development **Garib Nawaz Skill Development Scheme** was launched in 2016-17 for a variety of skills.

3. The foundation has also started, **Begum Hazrat Mahal Scholarship Scheme for Meritorious Girls** studying in Class XI and XII, through online registration portal.

4. A High Level Committee has finalized a blue print for establishment of **World Class Institutes** for education and skill development which would serve as 'centres of excellence' covering modern as well as traditional subjects.

(ii) Hunar Haat: The Modi Government recognizes the economic aspirations of Master artisans & craft persons belonging to minority communities and is actively providing them facilities to develop and market their products. The successful organization of '**Hunar Haat**', a new initiative under the USTTAD Scheme, whereby minority artisans & craft persons from across the nation were provided free of cost stalls to display & sell their traditional art and craft, during the India International Fair 2016, Pragati Maidan and subsequently, at Connaught Place in February, 2017, was a major step in this direction. This has instilled a sense of confidence and pride among the Minorities and helped to provide opportunity and

market support to the artisans' heritage. (**Hunar Ko Hausla**).The initiative was a grand success, much appreciated by public and media. The Connaught Place 'Hunar Haat', which was a **colorful combination of Craft, Cuisine and Culture**, witnessed a footfall of about 26 lakh visitors, with huge sale and booking of orders by domestic and foreign buyers. A good publicity of Modi Government's schemes and programmes was also done during both the "Hunar Haat". More than one lakh artisans and craft persons benefitted in terms of access to market and employment opportunities. The brand 'Hunar Haat' has become very popular and the ministry is in the process of organizing similar such events nation-wide with the motto of '**Madad Hamari, Manzil Aapki**' and '**Vikas Bhi, Vishwas Bhi**'. Throughout the country, '**Hunar Hubs**' would be also established for regularly holding of 'Hunar Haat' and other cultural activities for promotion of traditional art and craft of Master artisans and craftsmen. For visiting Hunar Haat facebook page, log on to www.facebook.com/hunarhaat17 .

(iii) In tune with the '**Digital India**' Campaign, the Ministry has brought all Scholarship Schemes on *National Scholarship Portal* in DBT Mode. Moreover, online portals for major schemes like '*Seekho Aur Kamao*', *Nai Roshni* for Leadership development of Minority Women, *Nai Udaan* financial support to UPSC/PSC/SSC students have also been developed and operationalized. In addition, the Ministry has launched *Haj Mobile App* for Haj-2017. In keeping with the need to modernize record keeping, 97% of all Waqf properties have been registered online under the *Waqf Management System of India* (WAMSI), which will help in streamlining and organizing Waqf Records all over the country. The Ministry has launched its new website (bilingual) in 2016 besides a dedicated new Haj website (trilingual). Over 95% of the schemes in the Ministry have been put

on digital platform for making the availability of benefits of government schemes faster and easier with improved transparency.

(iv) Also, post demonetization, '**Cashless Chaupals**' were also organized emphasizing on Digital transactions and Net Mobile Banking spreading awareness among public about government's focus on digital transactions to curb corruption with the slogan "Na Nakad na Udhaar, Karein Digital Lenden aur Kaarobaar".

(v) Considering the importance of education, the Ministry of Minority Affairs has allocated more than 50% of its Budget for scholarship and other educational schemes for minority students. These scholarships have been successfully linked to the **National Scholarship Portal** thus ensuring greater transparency and eliminating leakages so that the rightful claimants get their scholarships through Direct Bank Transfer (DBT) with minimum delay Now NSP: version 2 has been developed for online scholarship facility with payment through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) mode, on which out of 1.20 cr scholarship applications from various central ministries, about 1.05 cr pertain to Ministry of Minority Affairs alone. For details login to www.scholarships.gov.in

(vi) '**Progress Panchayats**': In 2016, the Ministry of minority Affairs started holding '**Progress Panchayat**' as an innovative interactive initiative to establish direct communication with deprived sections of the society, particularly minorities, and generate awareness about Government's welfare and empowerment schemes for them. The Government officials and Ministers from both Centre and State and the local people come at the same platform to interact and discuss implementation of schemes issues relating to the social, educational and

economic development of minorities and actions taken. Direct feedback and suggestions are obtained from the people. 'Progress Panchayat' is aimed at listening to people's problems and to resolve them and seeking ground level report to fulfil and accelerate the Modi Government's commitment to "Sabka Sath, Sabka Vikas" and "Antyodaya" (**Vikas Bhi, Vishwas Bhi**). The Modi Government, through 'Progress Panchayat', has given a big boost to all the sanctioned works by establishing coordination among various States, which has proved to be a 'mile stone' for the empowerment of minorities. In these *Progress Panchayats*, the scheme of Multi sectoral Development Programme (MsDP) became very popular relating to construction of basic infrastructure in minority areas and especially the Sadbhav Mandaps, which would serve as a Multi-purpose community centre with toilet facilities in minority concentration areas and would have facilities for education & skill development, disaster relief, awareness campaigns, sports facility, social & cultural gatherings, and other such events. About 223 such *Sadbhav Mandaps* have already been approved during the last six months in 2016-17 and construction is in progress. Similarly, initiative for construction of Gurukul-type residential schools has been started in 2016-17 and so far, work on 18 projects has commenced.

So far, several minority concentrated districts in Haryana, Uttarakhand, Kerala, Maharashtra & UP have been covered. The response of the minority communities in various Progress Panchayats held so far in Haryana and Uttarakhand was very positive, which witnessed huge gatherings and was much appreciated by the common man and Media.