

Ministry of Minority Affairs

## Fund Allocated under Nai Manzil scheme

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The Ministry of Minority Affairs has targeted to cover 70 thousand minority school drop outs under the Nai Manzil scheme during 2016-17. For this the budget of Rs. 120 crore has been allocated.

The Nai Manzil scheme is an educational and livelihood initiative supported by the World Bank, which can be availed of by the school drop-outs belonging to six notified minority communities namely, Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists, Parsis and Jains including Muslim students studying in madarsas. The scheme has been rolled from the current financial year i.e. during 2016-17 only. For implementation of the scheme, the Project Implementing Agencies (PIAs) have been shortlisted for project allocation as per laid down procedure. The process for project allocation to the PIAs has also been initiated.

This information was given by Shri Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi, the Minister of State (IC) for Minority Affairs, in written reply to a question in Rajya Sabha.

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