GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-586

ANSWERED ON- 23/07/2025

PRADHAN MANTRI JAN VIKAS KARYAKRAM

586. MR PATHAN YUSUF

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:-

- (a) the total fund allocated for the Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK) for the State of West Bengal during the current financial year;
- (b) the details of major projects that are operational under the PMJVK in the State of West Bengal;
- (c) the total number of beneficiaries who have received assistance under the PMJVK programme in the State of West Bengal; and
- (d) whether the Government has conducted any impact assessment studies to understand the feasibility of the said project and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS

(SHRI KIREN RIJIJU)

(a) The Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK) is a demand-driven scheme implemented by the Ministry of Minority Affairs and the funds are allocated based on project proposals submitted by States and Union Territories, rather than through pre-determined State/UT-wise allocations. The important requirement for releasing funds under the PMJVK scheme is that the State must follow the rules of the Public Financial Management System (PFMS), as set by the Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance. This system helps to ensure that government money is used properly and transparently.

In the current financial year, no funds have been released to the State of West Bengal under the PMJVK, as the State has not fulfilled the mandatory PFMS compliance requirements necessary for fund disbursement. Once these conditions are met, the State becomes eligible for release of funds.

- (b) The details of major projects operational under the PMJVK Scheme in the State of West Bengal are at **Annexure I**.
- (c) While the scheme focuses on minority concentration areas, the benefits of the infrastructure created under PMJVK are not limited to any one group. Instead, these facilities are open to all residents of the area, regardless of their religion or background. This inclusive approach promotes equitable development, social harmony, and access to essential services for everyone in the locality.
- (d) An evaluation study conducted by NITI Aayog in 2020–21, noted that PMJVK scheme has contributed towards addressing development gaps in identified minority concentration areas by supporting infrastructure such as schools, health centres, and skill training institutes. The restructuring of the scheme in 2018–19 brought about improvements, including a greater emphasis on women-focused projects. The study also suggested that the scheme's reach be expanded to cover minority communities across all States. Accordingly, PMJVK is now being implemented across the country from the financial year 2022–23, as per revised guidelines under the 15th Finance Commission period.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 586 FOR ANSWER ON 23.07.2025 REGARDING "PRADHAN MANTRI JAN VIKAS KARYAKRAM" ASKED BY MR PATHAN YUSUF.

Name of District	Name of Projects	Total Cost approved (Rs. in Lakh)	Central Share approved (Rs. in Lakh)	Total funds released (Rs. in Lakh)	No of Units approved	No of Units Completed
Nadia	ITI at Harighata	1035.64	500.00	500.00	1	1
Malda	ITI at Harish Chandrapur-I	1033.79	500.00	500.00	1	1
South 24 Parganas	Two unit of polytechnic institute at Diamond Harbour and Baruipur	2460.00	2460.00	2460.00	2	2
Uttar Dinajpur	Polytechnic College at Itahar	1230.00	1230.00	1230.00	1	1
North 24 Parganas	Polytechnic College at Basirhat-I	1230.00	1230.00	1230.00	1	1
Malda	Polytechnic College at Sujapur under Kaliachak-I Block	1230.00	1230.00	1230.00	1	1
Howrah	polytechnic at Uluberia-I	1230.00	1230.00	1230.00	1	1
Birbhum	Polytechnic Colleges at Rampurhat-II	1230.00	1230.00	1230.00	1	1