

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINORITY AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

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WOMEN SELF HELP GROUPS

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

(a) whether the National Backward Classes Finance and Development Corporation (NBCFDC) is implementing a scheme for women self-help groups in urban and rural areas namely `Manila Samridhi Yojana` through State Channelising Agencies (SCA);

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the total number of wo men/women self- help groups benefited under this scheme during each of the last three years and the current year along with the amount granted to them. State/district-wise?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (SHRI MUKHTAR ABBAS NAQVI)

(a) to (c): The `National Backward Classes Finance and Development Corporation (NBCFDC) functioning under Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, implements the scheme of `Manila Samridhi Yojana` with an objective to provide Micro-finance to women entrepreneurs belonging to Backward Classes notified by Central / State Governments from time to time, having annual family income of Rs. 1.03,000/- in urban areas and Rs. 81,000/- in rural areas. Maximum loan of Rs. 50,000/-per beneficiary is provided under the scheme at the interest rate of 4% per annum. The scheme is implemented through State Channelising Agencies (SCA) either directly or through Self Help Groups. The State-wise number of women benefited and amount released by NBCFDC under this scheme during last three years and current year is at Annexure. NBCFDC does not maintain district-wise details of benefited women/women self help groups.