

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION No. *554
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.04.2017**

NAI ROSHNI SCHEME

***554. SHRI GODSE HEMANT TUKARAM:**

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has undertaken any evaluation to assess the effectiveness of the Nai Roshni Scheme and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) if not, the steps taken by the Government in this regard to ensure that the scheme is properly implemented?

ANSWER

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

- (a) to (b) The Statement is laid on Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (b) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *554 TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.04.2017 ASKED BY SHRI GODSE HEMANT TUKARAM REGARDING “NAI ROSHNI SCHEME”

(a) Yes, Madam. NITI Aayog has conducted an evaluation study on Nai Roshni, the scheme for Leadership Development of Minority Women, in 2015-16 and prepared a report in June, 2016. The main objective of the study was to assess the impact of the scheme on minority women and to identify policy/ programme impediments in implementation of the scheme. The study covered 15 Districts, 30 Blocks, 87 Villages and 27 NGOs spread over 8 (eight) states namely Assam, West Bengal, Punjab, Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh. According to NITI Aayog, majority of the findings of the study indicate that the programme has been appreciated by most of the segments of the population of the society and it has assisted in creating confidence among minority women and developing leadership spirit in them. Moreover, the trained women are also utilizing their enriched knowledge within their surroundings and thereby helping their families as well as neighbours in raising their essential demands and claims from various Government authorities.

(b) Does not arise.
