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Ministry of Minority Affairs

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Dated: 18th January, 2019

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Monthly summary for the month of December, 2018 in respect of the Ministry of Minority Affairs.

The undersigned is forwarding herewith a copy of the Monthly Summary of important developments in the Ministry of Minority Affairs for the month of December, 2018.

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Some of the important development in the Ministry of Minority Affairs during the month of December, 2018 are as follows:

1. 10th & 11th meetings of Empowered Committee of Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakaram (PMJVK) were held on 3rd & 12th Dec, 2018 to consider project proposals submitted by the States of Andhra Pradesh, Manipur, Maharashtra, Mizoram and Uttar Pradesh. During the month of Dec, 2018 an amount of Rupees 145.21 crore has been released to the States/UTs under PMJVK. Overall, Rs.454.38 crore has been released under the programme to the States/UTs till 31st Dec, 2018 during 2018-19.

2. A high level Indian Haj Delegation led by Hon’ble Minister of Minority Affairs, Shri Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi, and comprising officials of the Ministry of Minority Affairs, M/o Civil Aviation, Haj Committee of India (HCol) and a representative of Private Tour Operators Association visited Saudi Arabia for signing of annual Bilateral Haj Agreement with the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for Haj 2019 on 13.12.2018. The annual Haj quota for India for Haj 2019 has been fixed at 1,75,025 pilgrims out of which 1,25,025 seats are allocated to HCol and 50,000 seats allocated to Private Tour Operators/ Haj Group Organisers (HGOs). The new policy for HGOs for Haj 2019-23 has been formulated on the basis of evidence based study conducted by the Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi and after due consultation with the private tour operators and their associations. A total of 2,67,261 applications have been received for Haj 2019.

3. A review Meeting was convened on 04.12.2018 at Ranchi (Jharkhand) to evaluate the implementation of the Qaumi Waqf Board Tarraqiati Scheme. A Peace & Harmony Rally for Kashmir started from Dargah Khawaja Saheb Ajmer. Hon’ble Minister of Minority Affairs displayed Chadar at India Gate, New Delhi and prayed for peace and harmony in Kashmir. The Rally presented Chadar at Hazarat Nuruddin Nurani R.A. at Charare Sharif in Kashmir.

4. Under the three scholarship schemes, namely, Pre-Matric, Post-Matric and Merit-cum-Means based Scholarship Scheme, implemented by this Ministry, physical achievement is 6,01,093 (including fresh and renewal) scholarships and financial achievement is Rs. 107.34 crore till 31.12.2018.

5. Physical achievement and Financial achievement of Free Coaching & Allied Scheme Nai Udaan, Padho Pradesh, MANF and Jiyo Parsi is 10,551 nos. and Rs. 123.24 crore.

6. Total no. of 84 Project Implementing Agencies (PIAs) under Upgrading the Skills and Training in Traditional Arts/ Crafts for Development (USTTAD)
scheme for the year 2018-19 have been selected and accordingly, 90 trainees were allocated to each PIA on 17.12.2018.

7. Expenditure of Rs. 1094.48 crore has been incurred/booked against the Budget provision of Rs. 4700 crore till the end December, 2018.