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Welfare of Backward Communities

82. An amount of Rs. 114 crore is earmarked for the welfare of backward communities. An amount of Rs.50 crore including central share is set apart for backward community scholarship and an amount of Rs.100 crore for the educational assistance to OEC. An amount of Rs. 2 crore is provided for traditional pottery manufacturing and an amount of Rs.5 crore is additionally earmarked for the development of 'Kumbhara' Colonies. An amount of Rs. 3 crore is earmarked for providing tool kit to traditional artisans and an amount of Rs.2 crore is provided for the renovation of barber shops. An amount of Rs.10 crore is additionally sanctioned to the Converted Christian Development Corporation.

Welfare of Minorities

83. An amount of Rs. 91 crore is earmarked for the welfare of minority community. The most important component in this is an amount of Rs.58 crore provided for the special housing scheme for widows and deserted women. Similarly an amount of Rs.25 crore including central share is provided for the multifarious development of blocks where minorities are centered. 14 new coaching centres is being started for the coaching for public examination and others.

Welfare of Forward Communities

84. An amount of Rs. 42 crore is earmarked for the most economically backward among the forward communities. Out of this, Rs.17 crore is for scholarships and Rs.8 crore is set apart as the share capital of Kerala State Welfare Corporation for Forward Communities.