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## Education of Minorities Girl Child: Most Important Topic For 2020 Competitive Exams

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- Adolescence is a crucial phase in the life of woman. At this stage, she stands at the threshold of adulthood. This stage is intermediary between childhood & womanhood & it is the most eventful for mental, emotional & psychological wellbeing. The life-cycle approach for holistic child development remains unaddressed if adolescent girls are excluded from the developmental programmes aimed at human resource development.
- The Adolescent Girls (AG) Scheme, implemented by the Ministry of Women & Child Development under Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS), primarily aims at breaking the inter-generational life-cycle of nutritional & gender disadvantage & providing a supportive environment for self-development.

### Objective

- The broad objectives of the Scheme are to improve the nutritional, health & development status of adolescent girls, promote awareness of health, hygiene, nutrition & family care, link them to opportunities for learning life skills, going back to school, help them gain a better understanding of their social environment & take initiatives to become productive members of the society.

### Coverage

- The target group for the scheme covers out of school adolescent girls (AGs) in the age group of 11 to 14 years.
- Scheme for Adolescent Girls was sanctioned in the year 2010 & is implemented in 205 districts across the country. Government has approved expansion & universalization of the Scheme for Adolescent Girls in a phased manner that is in additional 303 districts in 2017-18 & the remaining districts in 2018-19 with the simultaneous phasing out of Kishori Shakti Yojana (KSY). Thus at present, 508 districts in the country are covered under Scheme for Adolescent Girls. In the identified areas of remaining districts KSY is implemented.

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