

proposal has been received in the Department of Electronics.

217 (b) Does not arise.
Member of Parliament
Steps to Impart Environmental Information to Parliamentarians

2879. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MEWAR: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken some specific steps to impart information on basic environmental issues to Parliamentarians, Legislators, Government Officials, environment volunteers and citizens in general and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether there are any special short term courses conducted for this purpose;

(c) whether there is any incentive offered by Government for the media e.g. production of films, and other material intended to create environment awareness amongst the people, particularly the students; and

(d) the details of further plans if any, to ensure priority success in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NILAMANI ROUFRAY): (a) Yes, Sir. Information is imparted on basic environmental issues through various awareness programmes under several schemes of the Ministry to Parliamentarians, Legislators, Government officials, environment volunteers and the general public. Besides, the Ministry is also catering to the specific scientific information needs on environment and related areas to all concerned through its Environmental Information System (ENVIS) programme.

(b) Yes, Sir. The Ministry sponsors short term courses/training programmes from time to time.

(c) Yes, Sir. The Government provides financial assistance for the production for films, posters, pamphlets, resource materials, etc. on environment and related areas to create environmental awareness amongst the people especially the students.

(d) All awareness programmes are strengthened to intensify environmental awareness among various target groups.

218 Defence
Selection of Other Ranks in Army

2880. PROF. PREM KUMAR DHUMAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether some O.Rs. (Other Ranks) were selected in Army in 1988 for SL Commission (Specialist Commission) in Record Officer category;

(b) if so, whether they were sent for training;

(c) if not, the reasons thereof; and

(d) whether Government propose to give these selected O.Rs. (Other Ranks) preference in training this year so that they get commission?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DR. RAJA RAMANNA): (a) No, Sir.

218 (b) to (d). Do not arise.

National Literacy Mission

2881. SHRI V. KRISHNA RAO:
SHRI C.P. MUDALAGIRI-
YAPPA:
SHRI C. SRINIVASAN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the achievement of National Literacy Mission in the country, State-wise;

(b) how far the scheme has improved the literacy rate in the country; and

(c) the amount spent so far on the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) A Statement showing the number of persons enrolled, State-wise,

under National Literacy Mission during 1988-89 and 1989-90 is given below.

(b) The Literacy data in the Country is collected through decennial census operation. The Literacy rate according to the last census operation held in 1981 was 36.23%. The Literacy rate at present will be known only after the next census is held in 1991.

(c) The Total expenditure under the National Literacy Mission during 1988-89 was Rs. 82.92 Crores and during 1988-89 was Rs. 82.92 crores and during 1989-90 was Rs. 88.41 Crores.

STATEMENT

Sl. No.	Name of State/UTs.	Enrolment*			
		1988-89	1989-90		
1	2	3	4		
1.	Andhra Pradesh	367916	387676		
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	33736	33736		
3.	Assam	319057	248000		
4.	Bihar	1235404	1313855		
5.	Goa	1455	1653		
6.	Gujarat	719738	458355		
7.	Haryana	212953	Not Reported		
8.	Himachal Pradesh	47996	49126		
9.	Karnataka	343464	314835		
10.	Jammu & Kashmir	81110	34470		
11.	Kerala	Net Report Received	98321		

Sl. No.	Name of State/UTs.	Enrolment*			
		1988-89	1989-90	1988-89	1989-90
1	2	3	4	3	4
12.	Madhya Pradesh	816169	847031	816169	847031
13.	Maharashtra	809982	861346	809982	861346
14.	Manipur	Nil Report	59241	Nil Report	59241
15.	Meghalaya	27921	19395	27921	19395
16.	Mizoram	10787	10939	10787	10939
17.	Nagaland	27927	20693	27927	20693
18.	Orissa	244030	358282	244030	358282
19.	Punjab	130769	157497	130769	157497
20.	Rajasthan	568160	504965	568160	504965
21.	Sikkim	6129	7475	6129	7475
22.	Tamil Nadu	1030558	623823	1030558	623823
23.	Uttar Pradesh	1012047	1053710	1012047	1053710

Sl. No.	Name of State/UTs.	Enrolment*			
		1988-89	1989-90	1988-89	1989-90
1	2	3	4		
24.	Tripura	39034	48451		
25.	West Bengal	528735	584366		
26.	A & N Islands	6498	7524		
27.	Chandigarh	6205	6993		
28.	D & N Haveli	4500	4320		
29.	Daman & Diu	1092	1073		
30.	Delhi	107147	101679		
31.	Lakshadweep	773	1510		
32.	Pondicherry	12396	16767		

*Based on the year ending quarterly reports received from the States.