

1	2	3
6.	Gujarat	399.00
7.	Haryana	50.00
8.	Himachal Pradesh	35.00
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	78.00
10.	Karnataka	92.00
11.	Kerala	329.00
12.	Madhya Pradesh	568.00
13.	Maharashtra	1148.50
14.	Manipur	16.00
15.	Meghalaya	—
16.	Mizoram	60.00
17.	Nagaland	32.00
18.	Orissa	297.00
19.	Punjab	127.25
20.	Rajasthan	355.75
21.	Sikkim	32.00
22.	Tamil Nadu	447.26
23.	Tripura	22.74
24.	Uttar Pradesh	624.00
25.	West Bengal	382.66
Union Territories		
1.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	—
2.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	5.00
3.	Daman & Diu	5.00
4.	Lakshadweep	—
5.	Pondicherry	50.00
Total		7027.70

[Translation]

Percentage of Literate Women

550 SHRI VIRENDRA KUMAR SINGH : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the details of on going schemes to make women in the rural areas literate; and

(b) the percentage increase registered in the literacy of rural women after 1991, year-wise ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA) : (a) The Schemes of Universalisation of Elementary Education, Non-Formal Education for School Drop outs, Total Literacy Campaigns of the National Literacy Mission form the three pronged strategy for increasing female literacy in the country.

(b) No such statistics have as yet been computed. Data on increase in literacy rates among women in rural - urban areas is collected only through

decennial Census conducted on country-wide scale. The next Census is due in 2001.

Funds Spent on Technical Education

551. SHRI RAJENDRA AGNIHOTRI : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the percentage of GNP being spent on technical education;

(b) the extent to which it compare with developing and developed countries; and

(c) the steps taken to increase the public expenditure on technical education especially the elementary technical education?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA) : (a) The percentage of GNP during the last three years (1992-93—1994-95) being spent on technical education has been of the order of 0.15

(b) Comparison is not possible since the data on percentage of GNP spent on technical education in other countries is not published in the standard publications like "UNESCO STATISTICAL YEAR BOOK."

(c) Allocations for the development of technical education have been stepped up within the overall available resources.

Publication of Science Books for Primary Level Education

552 DR. LAXMINARAYAN PANDEY Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the NCERT can provide science books in Hindi with the assistance of science teachers for primary and middle level education, and

(b) if not, the arrangements, made the Government for the publication of science books in Hindi?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA) : (a) Yes, Sir

(b) Does not arise.

Constitution of NWRC

553. PROF. PREM SINGH CHANDUMAJRA
SHRI NITISH KUMAR :

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether a National Water Resource Council

has been constituted to formulate water policy in the country and to review it;

(b) if so, the details of the composition of the Council;

(c) the number of meetings held by the Council during last three years indicating date and place of meeting; and

(d) the main conclusions and recommendations of the meetings and the follow up action taken on the decisions arrived at?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA) : (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The National Water Resources Council was set up on 10th March, 1983. As per present composition of the Council, the Prime Minister is its Chairman, Union Minister of Water Resources is its Vice-Chairman and Union Ministers of Finance, Agriculture, Power, Welfare, Rural Areas & Employment, Urban Affairs & Employment, Planning, Surface Transport, Science & Technology, Environment & Forests, Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission and Chief Ministers of States and Administrators of Union Territories are Members. Secretary, Ministry of Water Resources is the Secretary of National Water Resources Council.

(c) The third Meeting of the National Water Resources Council was held on 6th February, 1996 at New Delhi. The Council has not met since September, 1987 till 6th February, 1996.

(d) In the first meeting of National Water Resources Council held on 30.10.1985, it was decided to prepare a National Water Policy.

In the second meeting of the Council held on 9.9.1987, the National water Policy was adopted.

In the third meeting of the council held on 6.2.1996, the main conclusion and recommendations are as follows :

- (i) National guidelines on many issues of water resources development are necessary though the problems may differ from state to state.
- (ii) In the 9th Plan proposals, special provision for maintenance, dredging, desiltation, etc., should be included.
- (iii) More funds should be allocated for maintenance.
- (iv) In the 9th Plan, real imaginative proposals should be made
- (v) Various important policy guidelines on water management, resettlement & rehabilitation of reservoir project affected persons, allocation of water for different uses, etc., discussed in the third meeting should be modified based on the deliberations.

The National Water Board would be shortly taking up follow-up action on the modification of the draft policy guidelines. The other suggestions would be kept in view while finalising the 9th Plan proposals

[English]

Funds Spent on Primary Education

554. SHRI RAMESH CHENNITHALA : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether lesser funds are being provided for primary education as compared with higher education;

(b) if so, the break-up of allocation made therefor during the last three years;

(c) whether any efforts have been made to minimise this imbalance; and

(d) if so, the details and the impact thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA) : (a) The total funds provided for Elementary Education (upto Class-VIII) by the State Governments and the Central Government are not less than that of the funds provided for higher education.

(b) The year-wise allocations for the last three years are given in the attached statement.

(c) and (d). Do not arise.

STATEMENT

Financial Allocation for Elementary Education & University & Higher Education

Sector	1992-95 (Rs. in crores)		
	1992-93 (A)		
	Centre	States/UTs	Total
1	2	3	4
Elementary Education	316.25	9161.07	9477.32
Higher Education	504.81	2195.14	2699.95
Total Education	1797.30	19155.60	20952.98
	<u>1993-94 (RE)</u>		
Elementary Education	433.96	10915.47	11369.43
Higher Education	538.77	2497.23	3036.00
Total Education	2188.91	22080.08	24268.99