

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2378  
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MID DAY MEAL SCHEME  
ANANTA NAYAK

**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the mid-day-meal scheme has been discontinued in some States;
- (b) if so, the names of those States and the reasons therefore; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Union Government to issue directions to those States in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. SUMITRA MAHAJAN)

(a), (b) and (c): As per the available information, National Programme for Nutritional Support to Primary Education (Mid-day Meals Scheme) is currently not being implemented in Jammu & Kashmir. Government of Jammu & Kashmir have informed that the programme has remained moribund due to several internal problems. Fresh guidelines have been worked out by the State for operation of the programme from April, 2001.

This Ministry has urged the Government of Jammu & Kashmir to mobilize resources to make institutional arrangements for prompt switch-over to a cooked meal programme.