

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:214
ANSWERED ON:04.12.2001
EVALUATION OF DISTRICT PRIMARY EDUCATION PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have done evaluation of District Primary Education Programme (DPEP);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total amount allocated, disbursed and spent on DPEP during each of the last three years, as on date, State- wise;
- (d) the total amount utilised for appointment of teachers under DPEP, State-wise;
- (e) whether the Government propose to allocate more funds under the said programme; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI)

(a) to (c) :- A statement is laid on the table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.214 ASKED BY SHRI V. VETRISELVAN & SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA FOR ANSWER ON 4.12.2001 REGARDING 'EVALUATION OF DISTRICT PRIMARY EDUCATION PROGRAMME'

(a) & (b): Since the District Primary Education Programme (DPEP) was introduced/expanded in various States/districts in different phases, the final evaluation of the programme will be undertaken based on the closing dates of various projects. At present, external evaluation of DPEP phase-I, comprising the States of Assam, Kerala, Karnataka, Haryana, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu is being done through the Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs), at Bangalore, Kolkata, Lucknow and Ahmedabad.

The programme is, however, periodically reviewed through the mechanism of Joint Review Missions, Project Management Information System (PMIS), Educational Management Information System (EMIS), programme impact studies etc. A mid-term In-depth Review of DPEP Phase-I, II and III States have also been carried out. Reviews and various studies conducted from time to time have brought out that the programme has resulted in significant increase in enrolment, improvement in learning achievements, reduction in repetition rates, increased community involvement, improvements in class-room processes etc.

(c) No State-wise budgetary allocations are made under the programme. The position indicating the funds released by the Government of India to the various project States and expenditure incurred during the last three years is given at Annex. I.

(d) The total amount utilised for appointment of teachers under DPEP by the various project States is given Annex. II.

(e) & (f) : Funds are released to the State Implementation Societies based on the approved project outlay and the Annual Work Plan & Budget approved during the year. The concerned project States are required to contribute 15% of the total project cost. A statement indicating the State-wise approved project cost, funds released by the Government of India upto 31.3.2001, and approved Annual Work Plan & Budget for the year 2001-02 is given at Annex - III.

Annex. I

Particulars of States & Districts covered under DPEP

S.N	Name of State	No. of districts	Name of districts
1	Assam	1	Dibrugarh
2	Kerala	1	Idukki
3	Karnataka	1	Dakshin Kannada
4	Haryana	1	Rohtak
5	Madhya Pradesh	1	Bhopal
6	Chhattisgarh	1	Bilaspur
7	Maharashtra	1	Pune
8	Tamil Nadu	1	Chennai

DPEP

1 ASSAM 9 Darrang, Dhubri, Karbi Anglong,
Morigaon
Kokrajhar, Bongaigaon, Goalpara,
Barpeta, Sonitpur
2 HARYANA 7 Hissar, Jind, Kaithal, Sirsa
Gurgaon, Bhiwani, Mahendragarh
3 KARNATAKA 17 Belgaum, Kolar, Mandya, Raichur/Koppal

Bellary/Davangere, Bidar, Gulbarga,
Mysore/ Chamarajnaragar,
Bijapur/Bagalkot, Bangalore (Rural),
Dharwad/Gadag/Haveri

4. KERALA 6 Kasaragode, Mallapuram, Wayanad
Thiruvananthapuram, Iddukki,
Palakkad

5. MADHYA PRADESH 33 Betul, Chhatarpur, Dhar, Guna,
Mandsaur / Neemuch, Panna, Raigarh,
Raisen, Ratlam, Rewa, Satna, Sehore,
Shahdol/Umaria, Sidhi, Tikamgarh
Mandla/Dindori, Seoni, Shivpuri,
Bhind, Morena/Sheopur, Vidisha,
Jhabua, Datia, Khargone/Badwani,
Dewas, Shajapur, Khandwa, Damoh

6. CHHATTISGARH 15 Bilaspur/Janjgir/Korba, Rajgarh/Jashp
ur, Rajnandgaon/ Kawardha,
Surguja/Koria,
Bastar/Dantewada/Kanker,
Raipur/Dhamtari/Mahasamunda,

7 MAHARASHTRA 11 Aurangabad, Latur, Nanded,
Osmanabad, Parbhani/Hingoli
Bid, Dhule/Nandurbar, Gadchiroli,
Jalna

8. TAMIL NADU 7 Dharmapuri, Cuddalore /Villupuram,
Thiruvannamalai
Pudhukottai, Ramanathapuram,
Perambalur

9. ANDHRA PRADESH 19 Karimnagar, Kurnool, Nellore,
Warangal, Vizianagaram, Adilabad,
Ananthapur, Chittoor, Cuddappah,
Guntur, Khammam, Mahaboobnagar,
Medak, Nalgonda, Nizamabad,
Prakasham, Rangareddy, Srikakulam
and Visakhapatnam

10. GUJARAT 11 Banaskantha/Patan, Dang,
Panchmahal/Dahod
Kutch, Sabarkantha and Surendranagar, (Bhavnagar, Jamnagar, Junagarh - Funded
under State Sector)

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12. ORISSA 16 Bolangir, Dhenkanal, Kalahandi,
Rayagada, Gajapati, Baragarh,
Sambalpur, Keonjhar
Boudh, Koraput, Malkangiri, Sonapur,
Kandhamal, Nabarangapur, Nuapada,
Mayurbhanj

13. WEST BENGAL 10 Bankura, Birbhum, Cooch Behar,
Murshidabad, South Paraganas
Jalpaiguri, Malda, Purulia, North
Dinajpur, South Dinajpur

14. UTTAR PRADESH 54 Maharajganj, Siddharthnagar,
Gonda/Balrampur, Badaun, Kheri,

Lalitpur, Pillibhit, Basti/Sant Kabir Nagar, Moradabad/Jyotiba Phule Nagar, Shahjahanpur, Sonbhadra, Deoria, Hardoi, Bareilly, Firozabad, Rampur, Bahraich/Shravasti, Barabanki.

Agra, Azamgarh, Balia, Bijnaur, Bulandshahar, Etah, Faizabad, Ambedkar Nagar, Farrukhabad, Kannauj, Fatehpur, Ghaziabad, Gautam Budh Nagar, Ghazipur, Hamirpur, Mahoba, Jalaun, Jaunpur, Jahnasi, Kanpur Dehat, Mainpuri, Mathura, Mau, Meerut, Baghapat, Mirzapur, Muzaffarnagar, Padrauna, Pratapgarh, Rae-Bareilly, Sultanpur, Unnao,

15. UTTARANCHAL 6 Bageshwar, Hardwar, Pithoragarh, Champawat, Tehri Garhwal, Uttar Kashi.

16. BIHAR 20 Muzaffarpur, West Champaran, Sitamarhi, Sheohar, Rohtas, Kaimur, Vaishali, Gaya, Darbhanga, Purnea, Araria, Kishanganj, Bhojpur, Buxar, Munger, Jamui, Lakhisarai, Sheikhpura, Bhagalpur, Banka, .

17. JHARKHAND 7 Chatra, West Singhbhum (Chaibassa), Dumka, East Singhbhum (Jamshedpur), Hazaribagh, Koderma, Ranchi,

18. RAJASTHAN 19 Alwar, Bhilwara, Jhalawar, Jhunjhunu, Kota, Nagaur, Sikar, Sirohi, Sri Ganganagar, Tonk Churu, Dausa, Jaipur, Bharatpur, Dholpur, Bundi, Karauli, Swaimadhopur, Hanumangarh

Total districts 271 covered

Annex - II

Major Achievements of DPEP

- (1) About 21,000 new schools have been opened. Besides, 67,000 Alternative Schools have also been opened in unserved habitations under DPEP covering about 24.60 lakhs children.
- (2) Enrolment in DPEP-I districts has increased from 79.33 lakhs in 1997-98 to 80.36 lakhs in 2000-01. In DPEP-II/III districts, for which the data is available, the overall enrolment has increased from 185.31 lakhs in 1997-98 to 206.94 lakhs in 2000-01.
- (3) About 37,000 school buildings, 36,000 additional classrooms, 12,000 resource centres, 11,000 repair works, 34,000 toilets and 15,000 drinking water facilities have been completed or near in completion in DPEP districts.
- (4) Despite the increase in enrolments over the years, the average Student Class Ratio (SCR) for phase-I districts has declined from 42 in 1995-96 to 38.8 in 2000-01. Similarly, the SCR for Phase II/III districts for which the data is available, has declined from 52 in 1996-97 to 50.5 in 2000-01.
- (5) The Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) for Phase-I states was around 93 to 95 percent for the last three years. The GER has marginally declined to 92.5 percent in 2000-01. After the adjustment for the AS/EGS enrolment, the GER in 2000-01 comes to 98.2 percent. In DPEP-II/III districts, the GER including enrolment of AS/EGS continued to remain at 85 percent.
- (6) According to the Access and Retention studies, there has been a significant decline in average Repetition Rate (RR) for Phase-I states till 1998/99. Overall, the Repetition Rate for Phase-I states has shown a marginal decline from 6.5 percent to 6.3 percent between 1998/99 and 1999/2000. The overall decline in Repetition Rate in DPEP-II states has declined from 9 percent in 1997/98 to 8.1 percent in 1999/2000.
- (7) A study to estimate the dropout rate from the EMIS data on enrolment and repeaters for the years 1999/2000 and 2000/2001, was carried out for 102 DPEP districts of 13 DPEP states using the Reconstructed and Apparent Cohort methods. The percentage of children who drop out between grade-I and the last grade of primary school was found to be less than 10% in 13% of the districts and less than 20% in one-third of the districts. An encouraging finding was that the gender gap reduced to less than 5 percentage points in 72% districts, but the high dropout rate in a large number of districts is still a matter of concern.
- (8) In Phase-I there were 21 districts where the Index of Gender Equity (IGE) was less than 95 in 1995-96. Now the number of such districts is eight. In Phase-II/III districts, in 51 of 81 districts, IGE exceeds 95.
- (9) So far over 400,000 children with special needs have been identified in the project blocks, out of which 303,000 (76%) have been enrolled in schools under the component of Integrated Education for Disabled Children (IED).

(10) Village Education Committees/School Management Committees have been set up in almost all project villages/habitations/schools.

(11) About 94,000 teachers, including para-teachers / Shiksha Karmis have been appointed.

(12) As per mid-term assessment survey on learning achievement , the overall performance level has crossed 60% mark in 44 districts in language and 51 districts in mathematics in class I.

(13) Pedagogical interventions under DPEP with their focus on child centred activities has led to considerable improvement in quality of education.

Annex - III

Statement indicating the progress made under the District Primary Education Programme (DPEP) upto 31.3.2001

Sl.No.	Project State (Rs.in crores)	Expenditure Teachers Alternative upto 31.3.2001 teachers	No. of new Alternative No. of opened teachers	Additional schools Teachers	No.of appointed Regular Para - opened	Schooling / EGS Centers
1	Andhra Pradesh	464.73	5150	5496	9418	1332
2	Assam	187.72				3138
3	Bihar/Jharkhand	152.19	2053		0	3416
4	Gujarat	75.55	295		12	2282
5	Haryana	140.02	15		3450	1550
6	Himachal Pradesh	75.50	808		1589	0
7	Karnataka	342.15	1250		2500	0
8	Kerala	136.24	58	148	1105	325
9	Madhya Pradesh / Chhattisgarh	770.05	5405	2026	41040	29443
10	Maharashtra	224.81	867		3103	3471
11	Orissa	82.10	720		1440	1631
12	Tamil Nadu	160.92	406		1771	960
13	Uttar Pradesh / Uttaranchal	422.44	4167		4744	4796
14	West Bengal	95.23				8556
15	Rajasthan	38.24	132		300	6088
	Total	3367.89	21326	22829	72627	66988

Note:

(1) The programme is at various stages of implementation as it was extended to various States in phased manner.

(2) DPEP is an additionality over and above other schemes in the Elementary Education Sector.

A number of activities are therefore, being undertaken under other schemes also.

Annex - III

Statement indicating the progress made under the District Primary Education Programme

(DPEP) upto 31.3.2001

No. of Block	No. of Cluster	No. of New	No. of Toilet Additional	Drinking Water
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Resource Centres Constructed	Resource Centres Constructed	School Buildings provided	facilities classrooms	facilities provided	
990	5664	6773	11936	709	720
56	1002	412	369	920	637
207	2457	27	174	143	179
23	482	164	236	716	90
55	544	228	903	2834	1183
21	230	313	17	350	284
112	1206	756	152	747	747
55	627	189	760	179	137
370	6274	4771	4357		
73	189	487	1113	3066	1969
84	885	203	320	1091	57
106	1023		1206	1443	730
681	6636	2381	4308	8550	2356
	324	323	1148		
49	1041		617		59
2882	28584	17027	26999	21365	9148