

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:84
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the European Commissioner for Development and Humanitarian Aid recently visited India;
- (b) if so, the details of talks held, particularly in regard to Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan;
- (c) whether the E.U. have decided to allocate some funds for Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. RITA VERMA)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Commissioner for Development and Humanitarian Aid, European Commission sought details about Government of India's priorities and plans in the implementation of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The European Commission has committed a grant of 200 million Euros (Rs.800 crores approx.) for Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan. A Financing Agreement to this effect has been signed between Government of India and European Commission.