

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

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

- (a) whether the Government are aware that the Literacy Mission launched in Bihar, Jharkhand and Uttar Pradesh is not getting the desired success;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor, along with the achievements made against the target;
- (c) whether the Government have constituted any committee to monitor the literacy campaigns in the aforesaid States; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) : The National Literacy Mission (NLM) is implementing the schemes of Literacy Campaigns & Operation Restoration and Continuing Education to raise the level of functional literacy throughout the country including the states of Bihar, Jharkhand and Uttar Pradesh. The achievements of literacy in these states as per Census 2001 Provisional Report are as follows :-

Achievement (in percentage)

	1991	2001	Decadal Increase	
Bihar		37.49	47.53	10.04
Jharkhand		41.39	54.13	12.74
Uttar Pradesh		40.71	57.36	16.65

Literacy Schemes in all districts are being implemented through volunteer - teachers/facilitators under the overall management of Zilla Saksharata Samitis (ZSSs). The size of the non-literate population, low availability of volunteer- teachers/facilitators, diverse socio - economic conditions and managerial capacities of ZSSs are some of the factors accounting for variations in the impact of literacy schemes.

(c) : No, Sir.

(d) : Does not arise