

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:265  
ANSWERED ON:25.07.2000  
GIRLS EDUCATION  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether NCERT has called upon the Government for concerted efforts for the girls education by providing more facilities and incentives to the girls;
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Government therefore;
- (c) the number of States where scholarships for girls are in operation at present; and
- (d) the steps proposed to be taken by the Central and State Governments for introduction of such schemes throughout the country to encourage more girls to opt for school education?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI)

(a) & (b): Under its study titled "States Policies on Incentive Schemes in Primary Schools and their Contribution to Girls Participation", NCERT studied the impact of various schemes launched by the Government of India and various States/UTs on Girls Education. As per this study Education for All Programmes have resulted in reduction of male-female disparities in enrolment and retention rates. Pro-girl child policies have resulted in large scale expansion of educational facilities and participation of girls.

(c): 9 States namely - Assam, Goa, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Punjab, Tripura and 5 UT's namely - Delhi, A&N Island, Chandigarh, Daman & Diu and Pondicherry are operating scheme of scholarships for girls.

(d): The schemes being operated by the Government of India are indicated in Annex-I. Incentive Schemes being operated by various States for the benefit of girls are given in Annex-II. The Navodaya Vidyalayas reserve 30 % of seats for girls.

ANNEXURE-I

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN ANSWER TO PART (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 265 for 25.7.2000

A. Scheme of assistance for strengthening education of girls.

B. Scheme of financial assistance for residential facilities for girls.

(1) Central Scheme of Assistance for Strengthening of Boarding and Hostel Facilities for Girl Students of Secondary and Higher Secondary Schools.

(2) Area Intensive Programme for Educationally Backward Minorities.

(3) Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Girls' Hostel for Scheduled Castes.

(4) Special Educational Development Programme for the Scheduled Castes Girls.

(5) Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Girls' Hostels for Scheduled Tribes.

(6) Ashram Schools for the Scheduled Tribes.

(7) Grant-in-aid to NGO's for the welfare of Scheduled Tribes.

(8) Educational Complex in Low Literacy Pockets for Development of Girls' Literacy in Tribal Areas.

ANNEX. II

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN ANSWER TO PART (D) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 265 for 25.7.2000

## Incentive Schemes Benefiting Girls in India : Current Status

Sl No.	States/UTs	Free Uniform		Attendance Textbooks		Mid Day Meal Scholarship			
		Year	%Exp	Year	%Exp	Year	%Exp		
1.	Andhra pra.	-	-	1994-95	NA	-	-	1995-96	7.41
2.	Arunanchal Pra.	1982	3.39	1964	7.79	-	-	1995-96	3.65
3.	Assam	-	-	1987	2.03	1980	0.07	1995-96	5.56
4.	Bihar	1996	0.07	1983	0.71	-	-	1995-96	3.84
5.	Goa	1991	0.37	1974	0.44	1973	0.09	1967	0.12
6.	Gujarat	1982	NA	1998	0.79	1985	0.03	1984	1.87
7.	Haryana	1977	0.65	1975-76	0.13	1980	0.65	1995-96	2.05
8.	Himachal Pra.	NA	0.04	1995-96	0.54	-	0.01	1995-96	1.43
9.	J&K	1982	1.68	-	NA	-	-	1995-96	2.69
10.	Karnataka	1986	1.24	1993	0.82	1991	0.19	1995-96	5.95
11.	Kerala	-	-	1988	0.18	-	-	1995-96	0.48
12.	Madhya Pra.	1988	0.10	1975-76	0.65	-	-	1995-96	4.51
13.	Maharashtra	1978	0.28	1977	0.24	1991	0.79	1995-96	3.01
14.	Manipur	-	-	1997	NA	-	-	1995-96	2.21
15.	Meghalaya	1967	NA	1963	NA	-	-	1995-96	5.33
16.	Mizoram	NA	0.05	1988	0.12	-	-	1995-96	4.05
17.	Nagaland	-	-	1995-96	NA	-	-	1995-96	2.29
18.	Orissa	1978	0.10	1950-51	0.46	-	-	1995-96	3.36
19.	Punjab	-	-	1977	2.68	1992	NA	1995-96	2.39
20.	Rajasthan	1994	0.08	1994	1.44	-	-	1995-96	3.89
21.	Sikkim	1996	7.35	1985-86	5.13	-	-	1995-96	3.80
22.	Tamil Nadu	1986	4.15	1985-86	1.42	-	-	1983	1.29
23.	Tripura	1961	0.27	1959	0.72	1962	0.11	1995-96	7.21
24.	Uttar Pradesh	-	-	1998	NA	-	-	1995-96	1.95
25.	West Bengal	1976	0.36	1969	1.10	-	-	1978	4.44
26.	A & N Islands	1966	NA	1968	NA	1974	NA	1995-96	0.35
27.	Chandigarh	1981	2.16	1980-81	0.99	1980	0.64	1980-81	5.30
28.	D&N Haveli	1986	4.39	1985-86	1.05	-	-	1995-96	4.82
29.	Daman & Diu	1983	4.32	1983	0.29	1984	2.20	1995-96	2.93
30.	Delhi	1981	0.09	1980-81	0.03	1997	1.10	1995-96	7.50
31.	Lakshadweep	-	-	1957	5.15	-	-	1957	1.78
32.	Pondicherry	1979	3.45	1958	1.73	1980	0.01	1960-61	2.09

India 3.30

Note :- indicates No Scheme

MDM scheme of central Government of India is now operative in all parts of India for children in Classes I-V.

Source: State Policies on incentive schemes in primary schools and their contribution to girls' participation, NCERT & UNESCO, 2000