

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:968

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DROP OUT AT PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

- (a) whether more than 40 percent children of total school drop-outs at Primary School level in the country are from Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, Orissa and Jharkhand.
- (b) whether it is a fact that the number of school drop-outs between the age group of 6 to 14 years in the State of Bihar stood at 7.46 lakhs till December, 2003 but according to the revised figures provided by the State Government put the number of drop-outs at 29.80 lakhs;
- (c) if so, the reasons attributed for the vast difference in the figures of school drop-outs provided by the State Government of Bihar;
- (d) the manner by which the figures compare with the drop-outs at national level;
- (e) the details of the circumstances leading to the growing number of school drop-outs in the State of Bihar; and
- (f) the nature and quantum of assistance proposed to be given by the Government of State of Bihar to tackle the school drop-out problem in the State?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIM.A.A.FATMI)

(a): No. Sir.

(b): No. Sir. This Ministry has not received data on school drop-outs from the State of Bihar.

(c)to(e): Question does not arise.

(f) So far. a sum of Rs. 302 crore and Rs. 28 crore has been released in the current financial year to the Government of Bihar for implementation of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan(SSA) & District Primary Education Programme (DPEP) respectively as central assistance.