GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FINANCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7175 ANSWERED ON:13.05.2005 EDUCATION CESS Shaheen Shri Abdul Rashid

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the percentage of the fund mobilization due to Education Cess, spent on minority education;
- (b) what proportion of the fund is allotted to Maulana Azad Education Foundation; and
- (c) State-wise details of actual expenditure incurred out of this fund?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM):

- (a) The revenue realized through Education Cess is being utilized by the Government solely and exclusively to provide universalized, quality, elementary education including Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan and Mid-day Meal Scheme. Since Government expenditure is classified on functional concept, it is not feasible to indicate the percentage of funds mobilized due to Education Cess, which has been spent on minority education.
- (b) and (c) Does not arise.