

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

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DROP OUT RATE AMONG GIRLS

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

- (a) whether any short term course scheme is in vogue to impart education to drop out girls above the age of 15 years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the procedure to be followed to avail the said scheme;
- (d) the details of girls who have been benefited under the said scheme, State and Union Territory-wise;
- (e) whether these girls are provided any incentives; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof, State and Union Territory- wise?

Answer

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

(a) to (f) National Institute of Open Schooling provides opportunities to all interested learners, including girls, to pursue education up to higher secondary level through the open & distance learning mode. It also offers about 70 vocational education courses, through the Accredited Vocational Institutes (AVIs) spread throughout the country. Similar opportunities are also provided by State Open Schools. The State-wise break-up of number of girls pursuing such courses is not centrally maintained.