

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

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COMPUTER EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS

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

- (a) whether the Government has prepared any scheme for computer education in schools in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the allocation made during the current year and the estimated expenditure likely to be incurred under the scheme, State-wise;
- (d) the criteria fixed for allocation of funds under the said scheme;
- (e) the details of schools identified for implementation of the said scheme so far, State-wise;
- (f) whether the Government proposes to give some relaxation/concessions to girl students under the scheme; and
- (g) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a)&(b): A centrally sponsored scheme called "Information and Communication Technology

(ICT) in Schools" is in operation since December 2004. The scheme aims to provide ICT-assisted education to children studying in Government and Government aided schools in the secondary and higher secondary stage.

(c)&(d): An amount of Rs. 300.00 crore has been allocated for the current year and the amount is likely to be utilized. No State-wise allocation has been made. Sanctions are given to States/UTs based on the computer education plans sent by them and the viability of the proposals.

(e): The number of schools for which sanction has been accorded in 2007-08, State/UT wise, is given at Annexure.

(f)&(g): The scheme aims to provide ICT infrastructure in the selected Government and Government aided secondary and higher secondary schools, and all students of these schools are expected to benefit.