

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

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APPOINTMENT OF SHIKSHA MITRAS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a large number of `Shiksha Mitra` has been appointed under the `Education for All` scheme to make the country fully literate;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government propose to give same pay to the Shiksha Mitras as drawn by the teachers appointed by the Union and State Governments on the basis of equal pay of equal work;
- (d) if so, the time by which it is likely to be implemented; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) to (e): The Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) supports State Governments in funding teacher salaries only as per approved norms of two teachers for every new primary school, three teachers for every new upper primary school, and additional teachers to improve teacher-pupil ratios to 1:40.

The terms and conditions of recruitment of school teachers are set by the respective State Governments. 12.82 lakh teachers have been sanctioned under the SSA scheme so far.

Government of India does not have any scheme for appointment of `Shiksha Mitras`.