

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:309
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MID DAY MEAL SCHEME
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any plan to increase the scope of Mid Day Meal Scheme;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is any plan to include the students of private schools and non-aided minorities institutes also in the tribal region;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the number of schools already covered under the scheme, State-wise; and
- (f) the number of children getting the benefits of Mid Day Meal Scheme, State-wise?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): No, Sir.

(c) & (d): The Government has constituted a National Level Committee to examine extension of Mid Day Meal Scheme to cover students studying in privately managed unaided schools in Tribal areas including unaided minority institutions.

(e) & (f): The State / UT wise details of the total number of schools/institutions and the number of children approved for coverage during 2009-10 under Mid Day Meal Scheme is given in Annexure.