

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

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SETTING UP OF SCHOOLS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan has achieved only 85.14% of its target by opening 3.32 lakh schools for the year 2009- 2010;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons for not achieving the 100% target;
- (c) the number of students benefited under this scheme as on date, State-wise; and
- (d) the funds allocated, released and expenditure incurred during the said period?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Since inception and till 31.12.2009, 3,00,895 new schools have been opened under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan against the target of 3,32,333 representing an achievement of 90.54%. Constraint in opening new schools are related to lack of policy for opening of schools in small and sparsely populated habitation in certain States.

(c) & (d): As per DISE data 2008-09, a total of 13,43,77,324 children have been enrolled at primary level whereas the number of children enrolled at upper primary level is 5,33,50,189. Details of state-wise enrolment of children at primary & upper primary level and Central funding released to States/ Union Territories till 16.02.2010 and expenditure incurred till 31.12.2009 is at Annexure.