

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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COMPUTERISATION IN SCHOOLS

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

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any scheme for imparting Information and Communication Technology (ICT) at schools;
- (b) if so, the salient features of the scheme;
- (c) the funds allocated for the scheme including the share of the Central Government and State Governments for the implementation of the scheme; and
- (d) the manner in which the said scheme will be implemented in the country?

Answer

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

(a) and (b): Yes, Sir. The Centrally Sponsored Scheme "Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in Schools" is being implemented since December 2004 to promote the usage of ICT in Government and Government aided secondary and higher secondary schools for enriching the teaching learning process and to enable the students to acquire skills needed for the digital world. Financial assistance is provided for ICT infrastructure, including internet connectivity, capacity building of teachers and development of appropriate e-content for ICT-aided teaching and learning. The schools are selected based on the Computer Education Plans received from the States/UTs.

(c): An outlay of Rs 6000 crores has been provided in the XI Five Year Plan for the scheme. The sharing pattern between the Central Government and States is in the ratio of 75:25 for general category States and 90:10 for special category States.

(d): The Centrally sponsored scheme is implemented by the State Governments using the financial assistance from the Central Government.