

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

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PROMOTION OF URDU LANGUAGE
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of States where the Urdu is being taught in schools as second language;
- (b) whether inspite of various steps taken by the Government for promotion of Urdu language, the State Governments are not paying enough attention on the directives issued by the Union Government to States for promotion of Urdu language;
- (c) the total amount sanctioned by the Government for promotion of Urdu language in the country during the last three years; and
- (d) the further steps taken or being taken by the Government to promote Urdu in schools?

Answer

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

- (a) Information regarding States where Urdu is being taught in schools as second language is not maintained by this Ministry.
- (b) to (d) Education being a concurrent subject, the Central Government cannot issue any mandatory directives to State Governments.

The details of grants sanctioned by Government of India for Promotion of Urdu Language during the last three years in respect of National Council for Promotion of Urdu Language (NCPUL), Maulana Azad National Urdu University (MANUU) and Scheme of financial assistance for appointment of Language Teachers (Urdu) is as under:

(Rs. in Lakhs)

Year	NCPUL	MANUU	Urdu Teacher	Total
2007-08	1740.00	1671.82	306.00	3717.82
2008-09	1735.00	3485.83	-	5220.83
2009-10	1900.00	4217.94	10.38	6128.32

Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya (KGBV) norms provide flexibility to States to engage Urdu teachers in Muslim concentrated blocks.

Recognized Madarasas/Maktabs are eligible for additional teachers as per norms under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) Scheme.