

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

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

- (a) the present norms for opening Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBVs) in each State of the country;
- (b) whether the existing number of schools for girls is not sufficient in comparison to boys schools in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof alongwith expenditure incurred for boys and girls schools;
- (d) the details of each ongoing/pending projects/programmes being run by the Government for upgradation and development of girls education in the country including Jharkhand; and
- (e) the details of expenditure incurred by the Government on each programme thereof?

Answer

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

- (a) :The Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBVs) are set up in Educationally Backward Blocks(EBBs) where rural female literacy is below 30% and gender gap in literacy is more than the national average of 21.59%. In addition, KGBVs have also been set up in 94 towns/cities having minority concentration with female literacy rate below the national average of 53.67%.
- (b) & (c) : In SSA no distinction between boys & girls is made in sanctioning both Primary & Upper Primary Schools. The expenditure for implementation of SSA in 2008-09 was Rs. 19043.09 crore.
- (d) & (e) : For upgradation and development of girls education in the country including Jharkhand, two specific programmes i.e. National Programme for Education of Girls at Elementary Level (NPEGEL) and Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBVs) scheme are being implemented by the Government of India. During 2008- 09, an expenditure of Rs. 420.06 crore on NPEGEL and Rs. 669.92 crore on KGBV scheme was incurred by the Government.