GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

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ENROLMENT OF CHILDREN IN SECONDARY EDUCATION
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) seeks the growth of enrolment of children in secondary education;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the growth of enrolment of children in the secondary education at the end of Tenth Five Year Plan;
- (c) the growth of enrolment in the secondary education at the end of first three years of the Eleventh Five Year Plan; and
- (d) the time by which the impact of SSA on the growth of secondary education is likely to be reflected in the country? ANSWER

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI KAPIL SIBAL)

(a) to (d) A Statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 569 FOR ANSWER O N 05.05.2010 REGARDING "ENROLMENT OF CHILDREN IN SECONDARY EDUCATION" ASKED BY SHRI GAJANAN D. BABAR AND SHRI DHARMENDRA YADAV

- (a) & (b) Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) is a centrally sponsored scheme for universalization of elementary education. While the scheme covers the elementary stage (upto class VIII), it has an impact on the enrolment in the secondary stage as an increased number of children become available for enrolment in the secondary stage after successful completion of 8 years of elementary education. As per the Selected Educational Statistics compiled by Ministry of HRD, the enrolment in the secondary stage (classes IX-X) increased from 2.00 crore in 2001-02 to 2.59 crore in 2006-07, i.e. an increase of 29.50% during the Tenth Five year Plan with an annual average compounded growth rate of 5.30%.
- (c) As per the latest Statistics available in the Abstract of Statistics of School Education, 2007-08 (provisional) compiled by the Ministry of HRD in 2010, enrolment in the secondary stage (classes IX-X) as on 30.9.2007 was 2.82 crore, as compared to 2.59 crore as on 30.9.2006, indicating increase of 8.88% in enrolment during the first year of the Eleventh Plan. Enrolment figures for subsequent years are not available.
- (d) The impact of SSA is already being felt on secondary education, and in order to address the increased demand for secondary education, a centrally sponsored scheme, Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan was launched in March 2009 to enhance access to secondary education and to improve its quality, while ensuring equity.