

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

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VACANT POSTS OF TEACHERS

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

- (a) whether the Government has recently made any assessment regarding the need for large number of trained teachers for the successful implementation of RTE Act;
- (b) if so, the current teacher-pupil ratio in each State/UT;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that at present there are 7.7 lakh untrained teachers and 12 lakh posts of teachers lying vacant;
- (d) if so, the remedial steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (e) the funding pattern between Centre and States regarding the implementation of RTE, Act?

Answer

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

- (a) Pursuant to the enactment of the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act 2009 the requirement of additional teachers is estimated at 5.08 lakh during the next five years.
- (b) A statement showing State/Union Territory-wise Pupil Teacher ratio (PTR) at primary and upper primary level is at Annexure.
- (c) & (d) As per District Information System for Education (DISE) 2008-09 there are 9.62 lakh untrained teachers in the country in Government and Government Aided Schools. Under the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), 12.82 lakh teachers have been sanctioned to States/UTs upto 2009-10 against which 10.21 lakh teachers have been recruited. As a result of appointment of the above teachers, the PTR has improved at elementary level from 36:1 in 2005-06 to 32:1 in 2008-09.
- (e) A proposal to revise the funding pattern for implementation of the RTE Act 2009 is under consideration of Government.