

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4119
ANSWERED ON:18.08.2010
QUALITY OF EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS
Rane Dr. Nilesh Narayan

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

- (a) Whether the primary and secondary schools in the villages of Maharashtra are far behind in terms of infrastructure development, education system and quality than the schools in the cities;
- (b) If so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the efforts being made by the Government for improving the situation?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) As per available data 3.10% primary schools in Maharashtra are without building in rural areas as compared to 1.06% in urban areas. With a view to universalizing elementary education and bridging gaps, including rural- urban gaps, Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) has sanctioned the opening of 8433 new primary schools and 489 upper primary schools, construction of 13,346 new primary school buildings, 4539 upper primary school buildings and 55,492 additional classrooms for the Maharashtra up to 2010-11. For the year 2010-11 a sum of Rs. 1682.11 crore has been approved for the Annual Work Plan & Budget for Maharashtra.