GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:207 ANSWERED ON:24.11.2010 RTE ACT Das Shri Bhakta Charan;Patil Shri C. R.

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken effective steps for the implementation of the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the enrolment in schools has shown any increase after the implementation of the Act;
- (d) if so, the extent of increase during the current year in each State/UT;
- (e) whether the State Governments have urged the Union Government to provide additional funds in this regard; and
- (f) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI KAPIL SIBAL)

(a) to (f): A statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (f) O F LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 207 FOR 24TH NOVEMBER, 2010 ASKED BY SHRI BHAKTA CHARAN DAS AND SHRI C. R. PATIL REGARDING RTE ACT.

- (a) to (f): The Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009 has become operative with effect from 1st April 2010. To implement the provisions of the RTE Act the Government has taken the following steps:
- (i) Notified the Central RTE Rules in the Official Gazette, and circulated Model RTE Rules to States to prepare their State Rules
- (ii) Notified the National Council of Teacher Education (NCTE) as the authority to prescribe teacher qualifications. NCTE has since notified the requisite teacher qualifications in the Official Gazette.
- (iii) Revised the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) norms to correspond with the provisions of the RTE Act.
- (iv) In keeping with the State demands for additional central resources, revised the fund sharing pattern between the Centre and the States for implementation of the combined RTE SSA programme with effect from 2010-11.
- (v) For the year 2010-11 enhanced the Central SSA outlays from Rs 15,000 crore to Rs 19,000 crore.

A statement showing state-wise increase in enrolment between 2001-02 and 2007-08 as per Select Educational Statistics (SES) data is given in Annexure.