

**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 criteria of grants-in-aid being released to the States and UTs under 'Saakshar Bharat' Yojana to increase female literacy under the programme;
- (b) whether the targets fixed under the programme in different States have been achieved during the year 2009-10; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

- (a) Districts having adult female literacy rate of 50% or less are eligible for grants-in-aid under the Saakshar Bharat programme.
- (b) & (c) The Saakshar Bharat programme has become operational w.e.f. 1-10-2009. Till 31-3-2010 the covered states were expected to take only preparatory steps. No specific targets had been fixed to be covered in this initial period.