

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

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SSA IN MUSLIM DOMINATED DISTRICTS  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- a. the number of districts identified by the Government as Muslim dominated districts as per the 2001 census;
- b. whether these districts are being provided funds under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA);
- c. if so, the total funds provided to these districts during the Eleventh Five Year Plan so far;
- d. The achievements made by the Government for educational upliftment of Muslims in these districts so far; and
- e. The future strategy chalked out by the Government for better utilization of SSA funds in these districts?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c): Under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) 88 Muslim dominated Districts have been identified for focused attention. The approved outlays for these districts in each year of the 11th Plan was:

2007-08: Rs 3799.84 crore  
2008-09: Rs 4374.09 crore  
2009-10: Rs 4866.41 crore  
2010-2011: Rs 6599.26 crore

(d) & (e) As per national sample survey conducted by Social & Rural Research Institute (SRI), a unit of International Marketing Research Bureau (IMRB), the estimated percentage of out-of-school Muslim children has reduced from 9.97% in 2005 to 7.67% in 2009.

With a view to ensuring that all children have access to elementary education SSA has provided the following interventions in the 88 Muslim dominated districts since inception:

1. Opening of new primary schools - 8999
2. Opening of new upper primary schools - 10399
3. Construction of primary schools - 8600
4. Construction of upper primary schools - 6982
5. Additional classrooms - 75624
6. New teachers - 58143

SSA is committed to ensuring effective and optimum utilization of funds. SSA has a rigorous system of monitoring which includes, inter alia, submission of monthly/quarterly progress reports, review meeting by State, field visits by independent institutes of social science research and university departments of education, bi-annual Joint Review Missions. In addition, there are District Monitoring Committees headed by MPs of the local area with membership of MLAs, MLCs, ZP representatives, educationists and representatives of non-governmental organizations.