GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

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PHALGUNA SAKA EDUCATIONAL STATUS OF MUSLIMS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the extent to which Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya Scheme, Madrasa modernization programme are helping to improve the educational status of muslims in the country with particular reference to Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) whether nearly 8% of muslim children are out of schools in the State of Andhra Pradesh;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether any action plan was prepared to cover all the children under these schemes before the end of XI plan;
- (e) if so, the achievements made so far in this regard; and
- (f) the future strategy chalked out by the Government during the 12th Five Year Plan in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) to (f): The Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya (KGBV) Schemes and Madrasa modernization programme are contributing in improvement of educational status of all children including muslim children across the country including Andhra Pradesh.

As per an independent National Level Sample Survey conducted by Social & Rural Research Institute, a unit of International Marketing Research Bureau (SRI-IMRB), the percentage of muslim children who were out of school came down from 10% in 2005 to 7.7% in 2009. The survey indicated that the percentage of out of school Muslim children in Andhra Pradesh came down from 4.29% to 1.41% during the same period.

To cover all the out of school children including muslim children and to improve elementary education scenario, SSA norms have been revised to correspond with the provisions of Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009, which became operative with effect from 1st April, 2010. The fund sharing pattern between the central and state government, except for North Eastern States, was revised in the ratio of 65:35 and an outlay of Rs.2,31,233 crore has been approved for implementation of the combined RTE-SSA programme for 2010-11 to 2014-15. Under SSA a total of 14.1 lakh teacher posts have been sanctioned since inception of the program, against which 11.13 lakh teachers have been recruited. 1,98,907 primary schools and 1,47,419 upper primary schools have been sanctioned.