

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:299
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EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT INDEX
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the aims and objectives of the Educational Development Index (EDI);
- (b) the norms/criteria fixed for assessing the performance of schools in different States;
- (c) the details of the comparative assessment of schools, primary and elementary, State-wise;
- (d) whether the present level of EDI in the country is satisfactory; and
- (e) if not, the steps taken by the Government to address the issue?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI KAPIL SIBAL)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 299 TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.03.2011 ASKED BY SHRI ANAND PRAKASH PARANJPE REGARDING EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT INDEX.

(a) The objective of computing an Educational Development Index (EDI) is to ascertain the position of a State/UT vis-à-vis other States/UTs in terms of achieving the goals of Universal of Elementary Education (UEE). Under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), the EDI is computed separately for the primary and upper primary levels, which are aggregated for the elementary level of education.

(b) The EDI for 2009-10 was computed using educational indicators grouped into four categories, viz., (i) Access, (ii) Infrastructure, (iii) Teachers, (iv) Outcomes. The list of indicators under the aforesaid four categories is at Annexure 1.

(c) to (e) A statement showing the EDI ranking of States/UTs is placed at Annexure-II. The composite EDI for primary and upper primary level is tabulated below:

Sl. No	EDI	State/UTs
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1.	>0.70	Puducherry, Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Chandigarh, Delhi, Kerala, Lakshwadeep, Punjab, Tamil Nadu
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2	>0.60	Andhra Pradesh, Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Daman and Diu, Goa, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim
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3	>0.50	Jammu and Kashmir, Manipur, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, West Bengal
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4 >0.40 Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh,
Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Meghalaya, Orissa, Tripura

EDI is a useful and valuable tool for need-based planning, and helps the States/UTs to identify areas that need greater focus and support.