

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

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

- (a) whether the major thrust in the Tenth Plan was to meet the increased demand for secondary education;
- (b) if so, the details of major thrust fixed for Eleventh Five Year Plan for secondary education;
- (c) the role played by the Union Government for opening of new secondary schools, expansion of capacity of the existing schools during the Tenth Five Year Plan; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Union Government to meet the increased demand for secondary education during Eleventh Five Year Plan?

Answer

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

(a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) During the Eleventh Five Year Plan, allocation for the secondary education has been enhanced to Rs. 53,550 crore as compared to allocation of Rs. 4,325 crore during the Tenth Plan. A new centrally sponsored scheme Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan has been launched in March 2009 to universalize access to secondary education and to improve its quality. The scheme inter-alia, envisages opening of new secondary schools and strengthening of existing government secondary schools. Rs. 20,120 crore has been allocated for this programme under the Eleventh Five Year Plan.