

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

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

- (a) whether the Government has identified educationally backward States and districts in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to develop the educationally backward States and districts by setting up model schools and colleges; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the allocation made and expenditure incurred during the Eleventh Five Year Plan, State-wise?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. The Government of India has identified 374 Educationally Backward Districts (EBDs) having Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) lower than the national GER for higher education. Similarly, 3500 Educationally Backwards Blocks (EBBs) have been identified in the country.

(c) & (d): Yes, Sir. 3500 Model Schools have been approved in all Educationally Backward Blocks (EBBs) on Kendriya Vidyalaya (KV) template, through State/UT Governments. The outlay for Model Schools Scheme during the 11th Five year Plan is Rs.12,750 crore and the estimated central share for setting up of 3,500 schools in EBBs is Rs.9,935 crore. There is no State-wise allocation under this scheme and funds are released to the States and UTs based on viable proposals received from them. The State-wise details of central share released for setting up and running model schools in EBBs is at Annexure.

Under a new Centrally Sponsored Scheme, there is a provision for establishing one Model Degree College in each of the 374 identified districts. A total of 142 proposals have been received by the University Grants Commission (UGC), out of which 78 have been approved. An amount of Rs.19.95 crore and Rs.17.29 crore have been released for the year 2010-11 and 2011-12 respectively.