

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

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SCHOOLS IN EDUCATIONALLY BACKWARD BLOCKS

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

- (a) whether the Government has started a scheme for providing excellent education to children in their neighbourhood from 6th to 12th standard in the 43 Educationally Backward Blocks of the Maharashtra State;
- (b) if so, whether the State Government of Maharashtra has requested to the Union Government to release the Central share of funds for this purpose;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the time by which it is likely to be released?

Answer

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

(a) to (d) : The centrally sponsored scheme to set up 6,000 model schools at block level as benchmark of excellence was launched in November, 2008. Out of these, 3,500 schools are to be set up in educationally backward blocks (EBBs) in Kendriya Vidyalaya (KV) template through State/UT Governments.

Maharashtra has 43 EBBs which are eligible for model schools under State Sector. The Ministry had approved all the 43 model schools in the State subject to the State submitting revised proposal as per the norms of the scheme. The revised plan has been received in November, 2011 from the State Government. Release of Central share for these schools is subject to acceptability of the building plan as per the norms of the scheme.