GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4549 ANSWERED ON:21.12.2011 FUNDS FOR SSA MDMS Pakkirappa Shri S.

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

- (a) whether the Government has conducted review of the existing facilities of secondary and higher secondary level education in Karnataka:
- (b) if so, the details thereof with demographic features, quantity and quality of school education facilities, teacher- student ratio and number of Government and non-Government educational institutes;
- (c) the funds provided to the States during the last three years for implementing Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan and Mid-Day-Meal Scheme; and
- (d) the tangible impact thereof in attracting greater number of children to schools and reducing rate of drop-outs?

Answer

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

(a)&(b) Yes, Sir. Review of the existing facilities of secondary and higher secondary level of the States including Karnataka is made in meetings of Project Approval Boards (PABs) of schemes relating to secondary education. In addition, review is made during meetings of State Education Secretaries. Further, review is also made based on Secondary Education Management Information System (SEMIS) for facilities available in the secondary and higher secondary schools to assess the requirement of interventions under various schemes. Details of demographic features, basic infrastructure facilities available in the government schools etc. in the State of Karnataka are at Annexure-I.

(c)&(d) Funds provided to the States during the last three years under SSA and MDM are at Annexure-II & III. The enrollment in classes I-VIII has increased from 14.46 crore (8.36 crore boys and 6.10 crore girls) in the year 1995-96 to 19.51 crore (10.27 crore boys and 9.24 crore girls) during the year 2009-10. Similarly, the dropout rate which was 58.8% (56.6% boys and 61.7% girls) during 1995-96 has come down to 42.39% (40.59% boys and 44.39% girls) during 2009-10. However, the enrollment and retention of children in schools depend on several factors such as Government interventions in the field of education including Mid Day Meal Scheme, health and nutrition, as well as demographic changes, level of economic development and expansion of private sector in Elementary Education.