

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

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EDUCATION CESS
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of Education Cess collected by the Government during the last three years;
- (b) the amount disbursed to each State and Union Territory out of the amount collected during the said period; and
- (c) the target set for collecting cess during the current financial year?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM)

(a): Details of Education Cess collected by the Government from direct and indirect taxes during the last three years are as under:

(Rs. in crore)

Financial year	Direct Taxes	Indirect Taxes
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2003-09	9605	8845.58
2009-10	10601	7945.54
2010-11	12719	11285.95

(b): The proceeds of Education Cess are credited to Prarambhik Shiksha Kosh (PSK) to be spent on Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) and Mid Day Meal (MDM) Scheme(s) of the Government. Allocation to the States are not being made separately against the Education Cess. Assistance to States is released under individual schemes of SSA and MDM as per the respective guidelines and budgetary allocations of these schemes. As per information provided by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, the total allocation to the States against the PSK and Gross Budgetary Support is given in Annexure I & II. Allocation is not made separately for PSK.

(c): The target set for collecting education cess as per revised estimates from direct and indirect taxes during the current financial year is as under:

Direct Taxes :	Rs.14,505 crore
Indirect Taxes :	Rs. 12,956 crore