

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

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

- (a) whether the Union Government has received any request from the Government of Maharashtra regarding Central funds for setting up the Satellite Interactive Terminals needed for Satellite Academic Centre;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the present status of the proposal; and
- (d) the time by which this proposal is likely to be finalized?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): Ministry of Human Resource Development is mainly implementing:

- (i) National Mission on Education through Information and Communication Technology which primarily focuses on higher education institutions; and
- (ii) The Centrally sponsored scheme "Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in Schools" with the objective of establishing an enabling environment to promote the usage of ICT in Government and Government aided Secondary and Higher Secondary Schools for imparting computer literacy and computer aided learning.

The request from the Government of Maharashtra seeking funds for Satellite Interactive Terminals (SITs) for the School Education Department is not covered under the above mentioned two schemes of the Ministry of Human Resource Development.