

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

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

- (a) whether Maintenance grants, Development grants and Teaching Learning Material grants are provided to the elementary schools in the country under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA);
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the total grants allocated, released and utilised under SSA during the last three years and the current year, State-wise, year-wise and grant-wise;
- (c) the monthly release and utilisation of the grants under SSA during the last three years and the current year, year-wise, State-wise and month-wise;
- (d) whether it is, a fact that there is an uneven spread of release of grants throughout the year; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): Yes, Sir. Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) provides the following annual grants: (i) Maintenance Grant to keep the existing schools in good condition, (ii) School Grant for replacement of non-functional school equipment and for incurring other recurring cost such as consumables, play material, games, sports equipment etc, and (iii) Teacher Grant to facilitate child centred classroom processes by using locally available teaching learning material. The year-wise details of allocation and expenditure under these grants during the last three years, is given in Annexure. Monthly release and utilisation of grants is not maintained centrally. No funds have been released in the current year.

(d) & (e): Grants are released by the SSA State Implementation Societies to schools, and generally take place in the second or third quarter of the year. State Implementation Societies are advised to ensure timely release of grants to schools.