GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

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

(a) the details of enrolment in primary and middle schools in the country during the last three years, State-wise;

(b) whether in some States, primary school enrolment has fallen in the last three years;

(c) if so, the details of States where primary school enrolment has fallen during the last three years;

(d) the reasons for this fall in enrolment;

(e) the steps taken to improve the enrolment of children; and

(f) the details of funds allocated for primary, secondary and senior secondary schools in rural areas during the last three years, yearwise?

Answer

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

(a) to (d) As per the Statistics of School Education brought out by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, State-wise details of enrolment in primary and middle schools, which are schools having highest class upto V/V and upto VII/VIII respectively, during the latest three years 2007-08, 2008-09(Provisional) and 2009-10(Provisional) are at the Annexure. The enrolment in primary schools has marginally decreased in the States/UTs of Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Chhattisgarh, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Karnataka, Nagaland, Odisha, Rajasthan, Sikkim, Tamil Nadu, Tripura, Uttarakhand, Chandigarh and Puducherry during the year 2009-10 as compared to 2008-09. Decline in birth rates in some parts of the country as well as steps by State Governments to check fake enrolments, sometimes lead to fall in enrolment data.

(e) to (f) Government has been making consistent efforts to meet the goals of Universal Elementary Education through implementation of the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) Programme. The Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act 2009, which became operational with effect from 1st April, 2010, provides that every child in the 6 to 14 age-group shall have a right to free and compulsory education till completion of elementary education. Mid Day Meal Scheme is being implemented with a view to enhance enrolment and retention of children in school.

The actual expenditure incurred by Education Departments of Centre &States/UTs during the year 2007-08, Revised Estimate (RE) for the year 2008-09 and Budget Estimate(BE) for the year 2009-10 under various schemes in Elementary Education and Secondary Education is given below:-

(in Crores)

2007-08	(Actual	2008-09	(RE)	2009-10	(BE)
Expenditure)					

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Elementary Education

Secondary Education

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The details of funds allocated to schools in rural areas is not maintained.