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 amount being spent by the Government per student per year under the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA);
- (b) the number of schools covered under SSA;
- (c) the number and percentage of children enrolled under the SSA during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (d) whether the Government is satisfied with the progress of SSA;
- (e) if so, the details thereof;
- (f) the total amount allocated to various State Governments for the primary education and SSA during the last three years and the current year, scheme-wise, year-wise; and
- (g) the amount actually utilized by the State Governments for the said purpose?

Answer

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

- (a) Aggregate public spending on education during the Eleventh Plan period is estimated at Rs. 12,44,797 crore, of which about 43% is for elementary education. The per capita public expenditure on education was Rs. 2,985 in 2011-12. The per capita expenditure in the Government schools varies from State to State as it depends on the State's own investment in education.
- (b) & (c): The number of schools covered under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) and the number of children enrolled during the last three years, State-Wise are given in Annexure-I.
- (d) & (e): SSA has made significant contribution to the improvement of elementary education in the country. Since the inception of SSA, 1,81,522 primary schools, 1,52,818 upper primary schools, 20,88,587 teachers, 14,34,899 additional classrooms, 2,10,335 drinking water and 4,99,472 toilets have been sanctioned. As per District Information System (DISE) 2010-11, the enrolment of children at elementary level has increased from 18.79 crore (2009-10) to 19.3 crore (2010-11). Pupil Teacher ratio (PTR) for primary schools has improved from 34 (2008-09) to 32 (2010-11) and at upper primary level from 31 (2008-09) to 29 (2010-11). The average student classrooms ratio has also improved from 33 (2008-09) to 31 (2010-11).
- (f) & (g): The total amount allocated to State Governments under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan for elementary education and the expenditure during last three years and the current year are given in Annexure-II.