

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

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ICT IN SCHOOLS

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

- (a) the number of Government and Government-aided Upper Primary, Secondary and Higher Secondary Schools in the country covered under the scheme of `Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in Schools`; State-wise;
- (b) the details of the poor students belonging to Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes and other backward classes benefited from this scheme;
- (c) the number of urban/rural students who benefited from the Centrally sponsored `Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in Schools` scheme during each of the last three years and the current year; and
- (d) the details of the funds released under the scheme during the above period, State/UT-wise?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. SHASHI THAROOR)

a) Under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) funds are released to State Governments based on the Computer Education Plans received from the State Government. This ministry has approved coverage of 96007 Secondary and Higher Secondary schools under the Scheme till date. A Statement indicating the details of State-wise schools is enclosed at Annexure-1. A separate programme titled Computer Aided Learning (CAL) is under implementation for the Upper Primary Schools for the students in the age group 6-14 years. 99369 Upper Primary schools have been covered under CAL till date (State-wise details are enclosed at Annexure-2).

b) Under the Scheme priority is given to educationally backward blocks and areas with concentration of scheduled caste, scheduled tribe, minority and weaker sections. However, separate allocation for scheduled caste and scheduled tribe has been started under the scheme from the Financial Year 2011-12. During the current Financial Year 2012-13 a sum of Rs. 7000.00 lakhs for coverage of SC students and Rs. 3745.00 lakhs for ST Students has been earmarked separately.

c) During the last three years and the current year the following number of students (both urban and rural) have benefited under the scheme:

2009-10	-	2869742
2010-11	-	12617362
2011-12	-	7941933
2012-13 (till date)	-	416333

d) A statement indicating the details of State-wise funds released during the last three years including the current year is enclosed at Annexure-3.