

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA**

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EDUCATION TO DISABLED CHILDREN
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any survey has been conducted by the Government regarding providing education to the disabled children;
- (b) if so, the percentage of disabled children getting education State-wise in the country; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to provide more opportunities of education to the disabled children?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI D. NAPOLEON)

(a) & (b) As per the National Sample Survey conducted by SRI-IMRB in 2009, it is estimated that there are 81 lakh children, who are out-of-school. This represents 4.28% of the total child population in the 6-13 age group. The SRI-IMRB survey of 2009 has also estimated that there were 28.97 lakh children with disabilities, representing 1.52% of the total child population. Of children with disabilities, 34.12% children are estimated to be out-of-school.

(c) A statement indicating the steps taken by the Government to provide more opportunities of education to the disabled children is at Annexure-I.