

**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 total additional investment estimated to meet the goal of providing universal primary and secondary education to the children up to the age of 16 years in the country, with details of components of expenditure;
- (b) the share in investment planned to be provided by the Central Government, State Governments and private sector and the time-frame thereof;
- (c) the total investment made by the Government and State Governments for the above purpose during the Eleventh Five Year Plan; and
- (d) the manner in which the Government proposes to fill the gap?

Answer

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

(a)&(b): Consequent upon the requirements arising for the implementation of the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009, the Government has approved an outlay of Rs 2,31,233 crore for the implementation of the combined Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA)-RTE programme for a five year period from 2010-11 to 2014-15, both for the Central and State Governments. Of this, Rs 1,83,641 crore (79%) is recurring and Rs 47,592 crore (21%) is non recurring. This outlay of Rs 2,31,233 crore is supported by a Grant-in-Aid of Rs 24,068 crore, recommended by the 13th Finance Commission to the States during the next 5 years. The balance requirement of Rs 2,07,165 crore would be shared between the Centre and States in the ratio of 65:35 for all States/UTs.

The Working Group on Secondary and Vocational Education has estimated the requirement of Rs 3,18,394 crore for the Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan and other centrally sponsored programmes for the 12th Five Year Plan, out of which the Central Government's share is estimated as Rs. 2,57,533 crore.

(c)&(d): The bulk of public spending on education is incurred by the State Governments. The aggregate public spending on education during the Eleventh Plan period is estimated at Rs.12,44,797 crore for both the Centre and the States taken together. About 43 per cent of the public expenditure on education was incurred for elementary education and 25 per cent for secondary education. The assistance of external funding agencies is being sought for the implementation of the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan and the Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan, which helps in filling the gap in investment to some extent.