

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

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INADEQUATE ENROLMENT IN HIGHER EDUCATION  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any scheme for improving the level of education in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the percentage of students getting higher education, State/Union-Territory-wise and gender-wise;
- (c) whether all the stakeholders have been consulted in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details of the views expressed by them;
- (e) the details of financial aid to colleges/universities by the University Grants Commission (UGC) during the last three years, State-wise; and
- (f) the financial assistance/incentives provided to the States for improving the standard of higher education during the last three years and the current year?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(Dr. Shashi Tharoor)

(a) & (b) : The Government has formulated several schemes, namely the Sarva Siksha Abhiyan, the Rashtriya Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA), the Model Schools Scheme, the Girls Hostel Scheme, ICT at Schools, Inclusive Education for Disabled at Secondary Stage, the Scheme of Vocational Education, the National Means-cum Merit Scholarship Scheme, National Incentive to Girls, Appointment of Language Teachers etc. for the improvement of level of education in the school education sector. The University Grants Commission (UGC), under its various schemes, releases grants to universities and colleges to improve access to and the quality of higher education. The Central Government also undertakes funding of the Central Universities and the Central Technical Institutions. The Gross Enrolment Ratio in Higher Education, State/Union-Territory-wise and gender-wise is annexed.

(c) & (d) : The Central Government has been regularly consulting various stakeholders, including State Governments, regarding their views on various schemes of this Ministry, particularly, reforms in Higher Education. Such views are suitably incorporated in the schemes and guidelines framed by this Ministry. Besides this, the Central Advisory Board of Education (CABE) is the highest forum in the Ministry for undertaking consultations on its policies and programmes with all stake holders including States. The agenda and minutes of the CABE meetings are available at <http://mhrd.gov.in>.

(e) & (f) : The details of financial aid granted to universities and colleges, in various States, by the UGC during the last three years, state-wise, are available in Annual Reports of UGC and at [www.ugc.ac.in](http://www.ugc.ac.in).