

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

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

- (a) whether his Ministry receives Education Cess for the development of education sector;
- (b) if so, the details of such Education Cess received during the last three years, year-wise;
- (c) the manner in which the Education Cess was spent/utilized during the said period;
- (d) whether it is a fact that there is huge unspent balance on account of Education Cess; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): Yes, Madam. The funds received on account of the Education Cess by this Ministry, in the last three years, their utilisation for the Mid Day Meal Scheme (MDMS) and the Sarv Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) and the expenditure thereon can be seen in the table below:

(Rs.in Crores)

Year	Funds received by MHRD on account of Education Cess	Funds allocated for Education Cess	Funds allocated from SSA	Expenditure
2009-10	12257.67	5582.63	8415.48	13998.11#
2010-11	15805.00	6372.00	9432.99	15805.00
2011-12	18334.00	6166.45	11839.82	18006.27

The figures of expenditure for 2009-10 includes sums accumulated from previous year.

(d) & (e):The funds have been fully utilised in 2009-10 & 2010-11. In the year 2011-12, only 1.8% of the funds remained unutilised.