

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

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SHORTAGE OF TEACHERS UNDER SSA  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the teachers posts sanctioned by the Union Government under the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) have not been filled up by some States so far;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has taken up with right earnest the non-filling of teachers posts by some States; and
- (c) if so, the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

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

(a): Some of the States which have reported large number of vacancies of teachers sanctioned under the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) are Bihar [2.05 lakh], Jharkhand [0.38 lakh], Madhya Pradesh [0.79 lakh], Uttar Pradesh [1.59 lakh] and West Bengal [0.61 lakh].

(b) & (c): The Central Government has laid emphasis on expediting the recruitment of teachers by the State Governments and carrying out the redeployment of existing teachers. All these States have conducted the mandatory Teacher Eligibility Test (TET) for the recruitment of teachers, except West Bengal, where this test is scheduled to be held on 31.3.2013.