

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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PHALGUNA SAKA SPENDING ON HIGHER EDUCATION
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the percentage of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) targetted to be spent by the Government in the education sector during the last three years;
- (b) the comparative figures of the targets fixed by India and other countries separately;
- (c) the contribution of higher education in GDP in India and other countries including China, America and Britain, separately;
- (d) the comparative figures of expenditure on higher education in India and other countries during the last three years and the current year;
- (e) the details of the expenditure made on the education especially in terms of percentage of GDP during the last two years and the current year, year-wise and the reasons for non- utilisation of the funds in the education sector; and
- (f) whether the Government proposes to adopt the PPP model to enhance the expenditure in the education sector and if so, the manner in which it is likely to be implemented ?

Answer

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

(a) to (e): The percentage of Gross Domestic Product(GDP) spent on education and higher education during 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11 are as follows:

Year	GDP education (Rs. in crore)	Expenditure on education (Rs. in crore)	Percentage of GDP	Percentage of GDP on higher education
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2008-09	5303567	189068.84	3.56	1.18
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2009-10	6091485	242504.82	3.98	1.29
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2010-11	7157412	272137.44	3.80	1.22
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Source: MHRD, Analysis of Budgeted expenditure on education (Annual publication).

However, the data of expenditure on education and higher education for other countries is not maintained by the Government of India.

(f): The XIth Five Year Plan document states that private sector growth in higher education (including technical) should be facilitated and innovative Public -Private Partnerships (PPP) should be explored and developed in the Twelfth Plan.