

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

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FEMALE LITERACY

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

- (a) whether the Government has fixed a target of achieving 80% female literacy during the Eleventh Five Year Plan under the National Literacy Mission;
- (b) if so, the additional expenditure likely to be incurred during the above period; and
- (c) the Central and States share of this expenditure?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a): No, sir. The national goal is to achieve 80% literacy by the end of the 11th Five Year Plan. Under Saakshar Bharat, a new variant of National Literacy Mission, it is envisaged to make 60 million women literate by the end of the 11th Plan.

(b) & (c): Under Saakshar Bharat, the envisaged expenditure is Rs.6000 crore during the 11th Plan, which would be shared by the Central Government and the State Governments in the ratio of 90:10 respectively for North Eastern States and 75:25 respectively for the rest of the States.