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 the Government has launched an awareness campaign at block level to promote education among girl child in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the funds allocated to each State/U.T. for the purpose; and
- (d) the estimated number of girl child likely to be benefited from this campaign?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(SHRI KAPIL SIBAL)

- (a) & (b): The Government implements the Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya (KGBV) scheme and National Programme for Education of Girls at Elementary Level (NPEGEL) for promotion of education of girls at elementary level under the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA). Under the KGBV Scheme, residential schools are set up at upper primary level in Educationally Backward Blocks (EBBs) for girls belonging predominantly to the SC,ST,OBC and minority communities. Under the NPEGEL, education at elementary level is provided to reach the 'hardest to reach' girls, especially those not in schools. Funds are also provided to the States under 'Innovation Head' of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) for need based interventions for promotion of girls' education including awareness campaigns.
- (c): A statement showing the details of funds allocated to each State/UT for KGBV, NPEGEL and under Innovation Head, during 2009-10 is annexed.
- (d): During 2009-10, provision has been made in the Annual Work Plan & Budget (AWP&B) of States for benefiting 1.96 lakh girls in KGBVs and 2.44 lakh girls under NPEGEL.