

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

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RECOMMENDATIONS OF FATMI COMMITTEE
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Fatmi Committee, constituted by the Government, has submitted its report;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the main recommendations made by the Committee;
- (c) the total funds sanctioned to the States by the Government for strengthening recommended educational system during the current year and the last two years; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to implement these recommendations in the wake of Sachar Commission report?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) Yes Madam. The High Level Committee constituted under the Chairmanship of Shri Mohd. A.A. Fatmi, the then Minister of State (Secondary Education & Literacy) submitted a report to implement the recommendations of the Sachar Committee on education on 31.01.2007. The Committee had suggested an Action Plan which envisaged a multi-pronged strategy to accommodate the aspirations of socio-economic groups within the Muslim community and to take into account, the religious sensibility and gender issues ensuring promotion of main-streaming and inclusive education. On Primary Education, the Committee recommended setting up of the Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBVs) in the Minority Concentration Blocks and coverage of Madrasas and Makhtabs under the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), spreading distance and open learning among Muslims through the National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS) and bringing out Urdu text-books through the National Council of Research and Training (NCERT). On Secondary Education, the Committee recommended the establishment of secondary/senior secondary schools like the Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas and the Kendriya Vidyalayas. On higher education the Committee recommended the establishment of hostels and the setting up of new campuses of the Aligarh Muslim University.

(c) The total funds sanctioned to States during the current year and last two years are indicated hereunder:-

(Rs. in crores)

Scheme	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14 (as on 31.10.2013)
Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (including Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas)	20,775.38	23,858.04	16,065.55

Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan	2495.90	3162.84	2401.89
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(d) For implementing the recommendations of the Fatmi Committee and the Sachar Committee, the Government has made a number of interventions through the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) which includes the establishment of the Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBVs), the Navodaya Vidyalayas, Kendriya Vidyalayas, the Jan Shikshan Sansathan and the Saakshar Bharat Missions. More than 15% outlay under the SSA is targeted for the 121 Minority Concentration Districts/Areas to achieve the goal of universalisation of elementary education, to meet infrastructure gaps for schools, classrooms, teachers and providing access by opening new schools.

One of the thrust areas of the SSA is to ensure the availability of schools in all the minority concentration districts, the construction of primary and upper primary schools to address infrastructural gaps, additional classrooms, drinking water facilities, toilets and teachers availability, the availability of free text-books and the provision of two sets of uniforms to all minority girls from classes I-VIII. The Madarasas affiliated to the State Madarasas Boards are also eligible for such assistance as is available to other grants-in-aid schools, under the SSA. For increasing the enrolment of Muslim girls, 544 KGBVs have been sanctioned in Blocks having more than 25% Muslim population, wherein a minimum of 75% seats are reserved for minority, SC, ST and OBC girls. The University Grants Commission has sanctioned 368 Women Hostels in the MCDs. The Centres of the Aligarh Muslim University have been established at Mallapuram (Kerala), Murshidabad (West Bengal) and Kishanganj, (Bihar).