

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) the details of funds allocated and utilized under the Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (b) the details of success achieved in promoting school education under the scheme, State-wise:
- (c) whether the Government has noticed any irregularities in the utilization of funds allocated under the scheme; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the corrective action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a) The Centrally sponsored scheme of the Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) was launched in 2009 with the aim to universalize access to Secondary Education and improve its quality while ensuring equity. The details of funds allocated and utilized under the RMSA during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise is at Annexure-I.
- (b) Since the inception of the scheme, a total of 10229 new schools and 33261 existing Govt. schools have been approved for strengthening. The State-wise details are at Annexure-II.
- (c) & (d) The Ministry had received complaints regarding irregularities in the purchase of books in Haryana and the procurement of National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) science and mathematics kits in Rajasthan. Following the complaint, the procurement policy has since been reviewed by the NCERT.