GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4161 ANSWERED ON:19.02.2014 FUNDS FOR IEDSS Gaddigoudar Shri P.C.

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

- (a) the budgetary allocations made and the funds utilized under the scheme of Inclusive Education for Disabled at Secondary Stage (IEDSS), year-wise;
- (b) the steps taken under the scheme to support secondary education of disabled children; and
- (c) the number of students who have benefited from this scheme till date?

Answer

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

(a) The Budget Estimates and the funds released under the IEDSS Scheme from 2009-10 onwards are given below.

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Year Budget Estimates Funds released (Rs. In Crore) (Rs. In lakhs)

2009-10 70 5513.13
2010-11 70 8034.48

2011-12 100 8316.15
2012-13 70 2698.44
2013-14 50 3765.53
(Till 12.02.2014)
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- (b) Under the IEDSS Scheme, assistance to States/Union Territories which implement the Scheme is provided @ Rs.3000/- per disabled child per annum for specified items that inter- alia includes identification and assessment of children with disabilities, provision of aids and appliances, access to learning material, provision of facilities like transport, hostel, scholarships, books, uniforms, assistive devices, support staff (readers, amanuensis), the use of ICT, development of teaching learning material. The State Government provides a top- up grant of Rs.600/- per child per annum towards scholarship for each child.
- Girl students with disabilities, in addition to availing facilities under all schemes specially targeting girls' education, are given an additional stipend @ Rs.200 per month at the secondary level.
- (c) The total number of Children with Special Needs (CWSN) approved to be covered since the inception of the Scheme till now is 5,65,683.