## 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 provides winter uniforms free of cost to the students studying at government schools;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the amount of funds earmarked for supplying winter uniforms to government schools during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has received complaints about delays in distribution of winter uniforms to government schools and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure timely supply and availability of winter uniforms to the students?

## **Answer**

## MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

- (a) & (b): The framework for implementation of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) provides for free distribution of two sets of uniforms for all girls, and children belonging to SC/ST/BPL families in government schools within a ceiling of Rs. 400 per child per annum, if the same has been notified as an entitlement in the State Rules under the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009.
- (c): The funds earmarked for providing uniforms to students in government schools during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise, is at Annexure.
- (d) & (e): As the SSA is implemented by the State Governments and UT Administrations, it is their responsibility to ensure timely distribution of school uniforms