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 proposes to review the working of 'Bharat Shiksha Kosh' and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has formulated any strategy for monitoring the sources of Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) and the utilisation of funds received by them:
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the amount of fund/donation received from the foreign countries and the amount of funds utilised for providing better education till date, year-wise and scheme-wise?

Answer

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

- (a): Bharat Shiksha Kosh (BSK) was launched on 09.01.2003 to supplement the State funding of Education with contributions from private and corporate sectors, societies and individuals etc. Since the objectives envisaged for BSK were not matched with contribution flowing into the funds from non-governmental bodies/individuals, it was decided to wind up the Kosh. Accordingly, the BSK was dissolved vide Government of India notification dated 25.10.2010. At present, no proposal for revival of BSK is under consideration of the Government.
- (b) & (c): The IITs are autonomous institutions that are governed by the Indian Institute of Technology Act, 1961. The IITs are released plan and non-plan funds on the basis of details regarding expenditure incurred by each institute on items including capital expenditure, recurring expendi- ture and non-recurring expenditure. While releasing funds, the institutes are required to furnish utilization certificate, details of internal resources etc. which enables monitoring of funds released to IITs and their utilization thereof by them. A senior official of the ministry is also represented in the Finance Committee, which meets regularly.
- (d): Year-wise funding from World Bank, Department of Inte- rnational Development (DFID) and European Commission (EC) till date towards Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) is annexed. Details of the Central Funds released to States/UTs during the last 4 years and the current year under the SSA Scheme are as under:

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(Rs. in crore)
S1. Year Amount
No Released

1. 2010-11 19594
2. 2011-12 20775
3. 2012-13 23837
4. 2013-14 24735
5. 2014-15 20463
(Upto
December 2014)
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Also, the Government of India has signed an agreement with World Bank to provide financial assistance upto US \$500 million and an agreement with DFID to provide financial assistance upto â,¬80 million to support the Rashtriya Madh- yamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) for a period of four years (2012-2016). Till date, an amount of Rs.2815.70 crore has been received from the World Bank and DFID for Eligible Expenditures under RMSA scheme as per details given below:

Year Fund Received Fund Received from World from DFID Bank

2012-13 697.54 166.80 2013-14 758.60 204.18

2014-15 792.29 196.29 Total 2248.43 567.27