GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

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

- (a) the salient features along with aims and objectives of Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA);
- (b) the present status of the implementation of RUSA;
- (c) the targets set and achieved under RUSA since its introduction, State and year-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has reviewed the implementation of RUSA and if so, the outcome thereof including the shortcomings noticed thereunder; and
- (e) the corrective steps taken by the Government to address them?

Answer

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

(a): Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) is envisaged as the prime vehicle for strategic funding of State institutions so as to ensure that issues of access, equity and quality are addressed in an equitable manner.

All funding under RUSA is norm based and future grants are performance based and outcome dependent. Commitment by States and institutions to certain academic, administrative and governance reforms is a precondition for receiving funding under RUSA. Centre-State funding is in the ratio of 90:10 for North-Eastern States, Sikkim, J&K, Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand and 65:35 for other States and Union Territories. Further details of the scheme can be found at website mhrd.gov.in/rusa.

- (b):As on date, 23 States and 04 Union Territories (U.T.) are participating in RUSA, while 5 other States have indicated their willingness to participate in the scheme.
- (c): The physical targets set under various components of RUSA are;
- (i) Creation of universities by upgradation of existing autonomous colleges (45 universities);
- (ii) Creation of universities by conversion of colleges in a cluster (35 universities);
- (iii) Infrastructure grants to universities (150 universities);
- (iv) Setting up new Model Colleges (60 colleges);
- (v) Upgradation of existing degree colleges to Model Degree colleges (54 colleges);
- (vi) New Professional Colleges (40 colleges);
- (vii) Infrastructure grants to colleges (3500 colleges);
- (viii) Research, innovation and quality improvement (10 states);
- (ix) Equity initiatives (20 states);
- (x) Faculty recruitment support (5000 positions);
- (xi) Faculty improvement programme (20 states);
- (xii) Vocationalisation of higher education (20 states);
- xiii) Leadership development of educational administrators (20 states);

- (xiv) Institutional restructuring & reforms (20 states);
- (xv) Management Information System (20 states); and
- (xvi) Capacity building & preparation, Data collection & planning (20 states).

Details of funds released under various components State-wise and Year-wise are available at http://mhrd.gov.in/sites/upload_files/mhrd/files/StatusFundsStatus-%2030062014.xlsx.

- (d): No, Madam. Since the scheme has been launched only recently (October, 2013), no review has taken place.
- (e):Does not arise in view of (d) above.