GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5769 ANSWERED ON:29.04.2015 SCIENCE LABORATORY FACILITIES Dhurve Smt. Jyoti

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

- (a) whether the science laboratory facilities are available in all the schools upto secondary level across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Madhya Pradesh;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government for increasing scientific temperament at the secondary schools?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b) As per the UDISE for 2013-14, 42.10% of the secondary schools in the country have integrated science laboratory. The State-wise details of schools with science laboratories is annexed.
- (c) & (d) The Integrated Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) Scheme provides for creation of infrastructural facilities in new and existing secondary schools including integrated science laboratories with equipments. 35094 integrated science laboratories including 10513 laboratories in new secondary schools and 24581 laboratories in existing secondary schools under strengthening have been sanctioned under RMSA till 2014-15.

In order to promote scientific temperament at secondary level, on the basis of proposals received from the States and as per the norms of the Scheme, under the programme funds are provided for engaging additional teachers, training of teachers including those teaching science, procurement of the science kits, organization of Science Exhibitions at district, state & national level and special teaching for learning enhancement. Recently the Ministry has initiated the Rashtriya Avishkar Abhiyan with a view to nurture and promote scientific temperament amongst students.