

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) the status of Mahila Samakhya Programme;
- (b) the expenditure incurred on this scheme during the last three years and the current year, State-wise; and
- (c) the criterion for selection of the districts under this programme?

Answer

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

- (a) The Mahila Samakhya programme is a centrally sponsored scheme operational in 126 districts of 11 States viz. Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Kerala, Telangana, Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand.
- (b) The funds released under the Mahila Samakhya programme by the Central Government during the last three years and in the current year are at Annexure.
- (c) The Mahila Samakhya programme gives priority to districts which have Educationally Backward Blocks (EBBs), where female literacy is less than national average.