

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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ZERO REJECTION POLICY OF SSA
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the zero rejection policy of the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) has been successful in its application for the development of differently abled children;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): The key thrust of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) is on providing inclusive education to all children with special needs (CWSN) in government schools. As per Unified District Information System for Education (UDISE) 2013-14, the number of CWSN enrolled in schools is 25.03 lakh. In addition 2.06 lakh children with severe/profound disability are being provided home based education under SSA. The programme has shown a sharp increase in enrolment of CWSN from a level of 14.02 lakh in year 2009-10.