

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

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Construction of School Buildings under SSA
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether funds are allocated in lump-sum to the States for construction of school buildings under the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA);
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the criteria adopted for the purpose;
- (c) the details of funds allocated for construction of school buildings under SSA during the current year, State-wise particularly Rajasthan;
- (d) whether any constraints have been noticed in the present system being followed for the purpose; and
- (e) if so, the financial measures taken/ proposed to be taken in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b) Central funds under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) are released in instalments to States/ Union Territories for implementation of the interventions approved under the Annual Work Plan & Budget (AWP&B) of the concerned State/ Union Territory including for school buildings. This is as per the demands raised by States/ UTs and following consultations with them. The funds under SSA are provided based on the unit cost proposed by State as per their approved State Schedule of Rate (SoR).
- (c) A statement giving the details of total Central share releases under SSA to States / Union Territories including Rajasthan, during 2015-16 is at Annexure. State utilise funds for school buildings as per the approved Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWP&B).
- (d) Non availability of land is a major constraint reported by some States for the construction of school buildings.
- (e) Availability of land requires administrative measures on the part of the State Governments.
