GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:733 ANSWERED ON:21.11.2016 Education Cess Swain Shri Ladu Kishore

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

(a) the details of resources accrued to the Government under Education Cess;

(b) the details of utilisation of Education Cess for various purposes, State-wise and year-wise during the last three years; and

(c) the details of funds allocated by the Government for Mid Day Meal Scheme, scheme-wise and year-wise during the last three years?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA)

(a)to (c): The Education Cess comprises of 2% Primary Education Cess and 1% Secondary & Higher Education Cess. The Primary Education Cess is credited to Prarambhik Shiksha Kosh (PSK) and is used to meet part of expenditure on Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) & Mid Day Meal (MDM) Schemes. Presently there is no separate fund to credit Secondary and Higher Education Cess and funds required for secondary and higher education are directly allocated through budgetary provisions. The details of budget allocation for these schemes and utilization of PSK for the same are as follows:

(Rupees in crore) Financial Year SSA MDM Scheme Budget Allocation Utilization from PSK Budget Allocation Utilization from PSK 2013-14 27258.00 13575.05 13215.00 6413.19 2014-15 28258.00 15567.67 13215.00 6755.52 2015-16 22000.00 13589.13 9236.40 5709.03 Since Secondary and Higher Education Cess is not credited into any fund, details of utilisation are

not maintained by MHRD.