GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5065 ANSWERED ON:13.08.2014 MADRASAS IN INDIA Mullappally Shri Ramachandran

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

(a) whether India is having the largest number of madrasas across the world;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of madrasas functioning in the country, State-wise; and

(c) the financial support provided by the Government to madrasas during the last three years and the current year, State-wise and year-wise?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): No such information is maintained by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India.

(c): The Ministry of Human Resource Development provides financial assistance under the scheme for Providing Quality Education in Madrasas (SPQEM) in the form of teachers' honorarium to the Madrasas which introduce modern subjects i.e. Science, Mathematics, Social Studies, Hindi and English in their curriculum so that academic proficiency for classes I to XII is attainable for children studying in these institutions. Financial assistance is also provided for Science/Maths Kits, for setting up of Book Bank, Science/ Computer laboratory. However, the scheme is implemented through the respective State Governments. The details of financial assistance provided to the madrasas under SPQEM during the last three years and the current year, State-wise is given in the Annexure.

The Ministry of Minority Affairs implements the Multi-sectoral Development Programme (MsDP), which is a special area development programme that aims at improving the socio-economic infrastructure and basis amenities for uplifting the quality of life of the minorities. This programme gives funds for creation of infrastructure related to school buildings, class rooms, hostels, health centres, housing, drinking water. Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs), polytechnics, etc. The financial support under MsDP given to Madrasas for additional classrooms, hostels, drinking water facilities, etc., during the last three years and the current year are as under:-

Year Amount Approved (Rs.in crore) 2011-12 3.10 2012-13 118.40 2013-14 11.73 2014-15 3.22