

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA**

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IMPLEMENTATION OF SSA

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

- (a) whether the Government has made any assessment of the implementation of the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) which was launched about 15 years ago;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has a proposal to make any changes in the scheme considering the experiences in the implementation of the SSA in different States;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): The Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) programme has an inbuilt concurrent evaluation and monitoring system. It is reviewed twice every year by a Joint Review Mission (JRM) comprising independent experts and members of external funding agencies, covering all States by rotation. The 20th JRM was held from 7th-17th October, 2014. In addition 38 Monitoring Institutions assess implementation of the SSA Programme in the districts, and every district is assessed within a cycle of two years. An Independent concurrent financial review is also undertaken to cover all States within two years. Educational data on outcomes, is collected through a Unified District Implementation System of Education every year. All these evaluations are placed in the public domain on the Ministry's website.

(c) to (e): The SSA programme has been revised over the years based on feedback received. The last revision was carried out in 2013-14. Quality outcome related parameters were included in the SSA scheme and norms of the Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya were revised and a provision added to reimburse States on account of admissions made under section 12 (1) (c) of the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009.