

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

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FUNDS FOR ICT IN SCHOOLS

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

- (a) whether the Government of Maharashtra has requested the Union Government for release of funds for ICT in schools (Phase-II & III);
- (b) if so, the current status of the proposal;
- (c) the reasons for delay, if any, in the release of funds; and
- (d) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to expedite release of funds to the Government of Maharashtra for this purpose?

Answer

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

(a) to (d) Yes Madam, under the ICT scheme, proposals have been received from the Government of Maharashtra for release of funds, of which Rs. 47.12 crore has been released to the State Government on 18.07.2014 in respect of 2500 schools approved in Phase-II and on 30.06.2014 , Rs. 145.17 crore has been released in respect of 5000 schools approved in Phase-III. Release of funds is subject to utilisation and submission of progress against approved activities.