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Title: Need to enhance the share of financial assistance provided by Government of India under "Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan.

SHRIMATI JAYABEN B. THAKKAR (VADODARA): Govt, of India has already decided to financially assist the State Govt, to increase the access rate for Secondary education by establishing new schools. Under 'Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan' Govt, of India proposes to provide assistance to construct infrastructure wherein 50% financial assistance is proposed and the same need to be aligned with the SSA programme of Primary education for which finance is provided by Govt, of India and State Governments at the rate of 75% and 25% of total expenditure. This proportion was existing till last year for Primary Education and it has recently changed to 65% and 35% for reasons unknown.

I urge the Govt, of India to increase its share to 75% or above.