

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3847
ANSWERED ON:19.04.2005
MID DAY MEAL SCHEME
Modi Shri Sushil Kumar

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

- (a) the details of the allocations made and expenditure incurred under the District Primary Education Programme during the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) whether allocation thus made and the allotment of 21.3 lakh Megatonnes of foodgrains for the mid-day meal scheme could not be utilized during the above period;
- (c) If so, the factors attributed thereto; and
- (d) the justification for levying two per cent education cess despite their inability to use such a heavy amount of allocation every year ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A.FATMI)

(A) TO (D) A STATEMENT IS ENCLOSED. STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (D) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3847 TO BE ANSWERED ON 19TH APRIL, 2005 ASKED BY SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR MODI REGARDING MID-DAY- MEAL SCHEME

(A) TO (D) THE DETAILS OF FUNDS RELEASED BY GOVERNMENT OF INDIA (GOI) TO THE STATES UNDER DISTRICT PRIMARY EDUCATION PROGRAMME (DPEP) IS AT ANNEXURE-1.

THE ALLOCATION AND LIFTING OF FOODGRAINS UNDER THE MID- DAY-MEAL SCHEME DURING THE LAST 3 YEARS IS AT ANNEXURE-2.

DPEP AND MID-DAY-MEAL ARE NOT THE ONLY SCHEMES IN THE ELEMENTARY EDUCATION SECTOR. THE MOST IMPORTANT SCHEME IS SARVA SHIKSHA ABHIYAN (SSA), FOR WHICH ADEQUATE ALLOCATIONS WERE NOT AVAILABLE DURING THIS PERIOD. BESIDES, THE MID-DAY- MEAL SCHEME HAS ALSO BEEN REVISED IN 2004-05 TO, INTER ALIA, PROVIDE CENTRAL ASSISTANCE TO STATES TO MEET COOKING COSTS ALSO, WHICH RESULTED IN A REQUIREMENT OF ABOUT RS.2000 CRORE PER ANNUM FOR THE MID-DAY-MEAL SCHEME ITSELF. IMPOSITION OF THE EDUCATIONAL CESS WAS, THEREFORE, NECESSARY FOR ADEQUATELY AUGMENTING CENTRAL PLAN ALLOCATIONS FOR THE ELEMENTARY EDUCATION SECTOR-ESPECIALLY FOR SARVA SHIKSHA ABHIYAN AND THE REVISED MID-DAY-MEAL SCHEME.

ANNEXURE-1

The allocations made and expenditure incurred under the District Primary Education Programme during the last 3 years, State-wise

(Rupees in crores)

S.No	Name of the State	2002-03		2003-04		2004-05	
		Fund Released	Expen- diture	Fund Released	Expen- diture	Fund Released	Expen- diture
	(GOI Share)	(GOI Share)	(GOI Share)				
1.	U.P.	239.00	170.39	119.60	125.59	94.69	130.02
2.	Uttranchal	20.00	17.93	11.52	20.54	13.10	16.00

3.	Bihar	64.00	40.53	128.33	48.37	37.00	65.25
4.	Jharkhand	41.00	50.26	71.50	71.84	77.51	100.10
5.	Andhra Pradesh	165.00	101.65	90.00	108.40	155.00	106.83
6.	Rajasthan	113.00	135.09	185.00	187.51	105.00	91.51
7.	West Bengal	78.50	66.37	81.40	58.53	62.91	51.18
8.	Orissa	73.00	25.63	61.38	37.49	29.91	41.29
9.	Gujarat	46.68	13.88	28.88	25.19	22.97	23.11
Total		840.18	621.73	777.61	683.16	597.91	625.29

ANNEXURE-2

Position of allocation and lifting of foodgrains under Mid-Day Meal scheme during the last three years

(Figure in lakhs MTs)

Year	Allocation	Lifting
2001-02	28.62	20.76
2002-03	28.37	21.76
2003-04	26.84	21.30