

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

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

(a) Whether a study has been conducted regarding admission in schools of the children of 6 to 14 years of age group with a view to educate them mandatorily in the existing system of education; (b) if so, the number of additional schools and classes warranted to be set up in every State in the country;

(c) estimated allocation of funds to every State required for this purpose; and

(d) the sources identified to raise this fund?

Answer

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

(a) : Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) : An Expert Group on Financial Requirement for Making Elementary Education a Fundamental Right estimated in 1999, a requirement of Rs. 1,37,000 Crore over a ten year period for achieving the goal of Universalisation of Elementary Education. State-wise requirement of additional schools and funds, necessary for construction, as estimated by the Expert Group, are given in the annexure.

(d) : Plan allocations for Elementary Education have been steadily increasing over the years. In addition, limited external assistance, as and when necessary, has been tapped for Universalisation of Elementary Education through the District Primary Education Programme and more recently the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan.

State Governments have also been requested to mobilize resources from the community on a voluntary basis, for improvement of primary education.

In the Union Budget presented on 8.07.2004, an education cess has also been proposed on income tax, corporation tax, excise and customs duties, and service tax to fulfill the Government's commitment to provide and finance universalized quality basic education.

ANNEXURE

NO OF ADDITIONAL SCHOOLS AND FUNDS REQUIRED FOR EACH STATE FOR ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

(Rs. in crores)

Sl No	Name of State	Additional schools required			Funds required for construction
		Primary	Upper Primary	Total	
1	Andhra Pradesh	7189	20459	27648	2738.05
2	Arunachal Pradesh	1940	1297	3237	41.01
3	Assam	4561	114	4675	932.61
4	Bihar @	13410	19197	32607	4474.45
5	Goa	93	446	539	39.77
6	Gujarat	518	0	518	1116.93
7	Haryana	21	1205	1226	503.97
8	Himachal Pradesh	14197	9860	24057	301.37
9	Jammu & Kashmir	1636	3006	4642	453.78
10	Karnataka	7990	0	7990	1320.45
11	Kerala	1530	1130	2660	513.40
12	Madhya Pradesh \$	12700	26369	39069	2339.05
13	Maharashtra	11432	5393	16825	2612.68
14	Manipur	410	1007	1417	9.60
15	Meghalaya	1444	1985	3429	64.58
16	Mizoram	0	0	0	0
17	Nagaland	51	317	368	10.68
18	Orissa	7994	12953	20947	914.17
19	Punjab	1571	4783	6354	729.04
20	Rajasthan	15739	12123	27862	1560.05

21 Sikkim	359	328	687	10.46
22 Tamil Nadu	333	9883	10216	1382.42
23 Tripura	1625	1415	3040	135.83
24 Uttar Pradesh ##	38037	44648	82685	6654.39
25 West Bengal	9795	27252	37047	2913.89

@ includes Jharkhand
\$ includes Chattisgarh
includes Uttaranchal