

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

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SHORT OF CHILD TARGET  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has met the targets fixed for child development in the Tenth Five Year Plan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government has reduced the Health and Education Funds;
- (e) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) the measures taken by the Government to meet the targets set for child development in the Tenth Five Year Plan?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH)

- (a),(b)&(c) The monitorable targets set for child development in the Tenth Five Year Plan would be finally assessed after completion of the Plan period. However, due to several socio-economic factors it is unlikely that the targets are achieved by the end of the Plan.
- (d)&(e) The funds allocated for health and education sectors in respect of children for the last three years have been as under:

(Rupees in Crores)

Sector	2002-2003	2003-2004	2004-2005
(BE)	(BE)	(BE)	
Health	570.52	727.22	1214.38
Education	5905.55	6637.20	7780.80

It is evident from the above that the funds have not been reduced in health and education sector.

- (f) Various schemes and programmes are being implemented by Government for children. These include Sarv Shiksha Abhiyan, Integrated Child Development Services, Reproductive and Child Health, Accelerated Rural Drinking Water Supply Programme, Central Rural Sanitation Programme, Pulse Polio, Integrated Programme for Street Children, Integrated Programme for Juvenile Justice, Scheme for elimination of child labour, and others.