

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

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FUNDS FOR EDUCATIONAL LIBRARIES
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Planning Commission has allocated Rs. 5 crores for the new scheme for educational libraries;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of libraries identified in the Country especially in Andhra Pradesh; and
- (d) the funds earmarked for the purpose, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) to (d): An allocation of Rs. 5.00 crore was made by the Planning Commission for a proposed new scheme of Educational Libraries in the 10th Five Year Plan. It has since been decided that this amount may be utilized for science education under the scheme of 'Improvement of Science Education in Schools', which is a component of the composite scheme called "Quality Improvement in Schools". It has also been decided to transfer the component 'Improvement of Science Education in Schools' to the State Governments / UT Administrations as a State Sector Scheme.