

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

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MORE CENTRAL AID FOR MID- DAY-MEAL SCHEME  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- a) whether the various State Governments have requested the Union Government for more central aid for the implementation of Mid-Day Meal Scheme;
- b) if so, the details thereof; and
- c) the reaction of the Union Government thereto?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): A few State Governments had requested for more Central aid in the recent past for cooking costs, kitchen sheds and extension of the programme to Upper Primary stage.

(c): The request from the State Governments could not be agreed to, being outside the ambit of the approved Scheme.