

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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EXPENDITURE ON HEALTH AND EDUCATION OF CHILDREN
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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the percentage of expenditure on the health and education of children is the same for the last decade despite economic development in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the percentage of expenditure on the health and education in terms of Gross Domestic Product?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY)

(a),(b)&(c) The Revenue Expenditure of Union Government on Health and Family Welfare has increased from Rs.1,053.84 crores in 1996-1997 to Rs.5,661.7 crores in 2005-2006. The Revenue Expenditure on Education was Rs.2,509.63 crores in 1996-1997 and has gone up to Rs.13,138.21 crores in 2005-2006. The Gross Domestic Product has increased from Rs.13,68,209 crores in 1996-1997 to Rs.35,24,276 crores in 2005-2006. It shows a considerable increase in the expenditure on education and health during the last decade.

The percentage of expenditure on health and family welfare was 0.081 in 1996-1997 and 0.162 in 2005-2006. The percentage of expenditure on general education was 0.183 in 1996-1997 and 0.373 in 2005-2006 in terms of Gross Domestic Product.

The above information is given in the Annual Report of the Ministry of Women and Child Development for the year 2005-2006 which is available at the website of the Ministry.