

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

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UNESCO S GLOBAL EDUCATION REPORT

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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the UNESCO's Global Education Report for 2005 has ranked India at 106 among 127 nations in Education for All development index;
- (b) if so, whether the Government are aware that the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) has also stated that the percentage of illiterate adults in India is 33%;
- (c) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto along with the details thereof;
- (d) whether only 4.1% of Gross Domestic Product is spent on education in our country;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) whether the Government propose to increase the allocation on education and improve its quality to achieve the target of educating all by 2015?

**Answer**

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

(a)&(b) Yes. Sir.

(c): UNESCO used the educational data pertaining to 2001-02 in respect of India, in their Global Report for 2005. The impact of the new initiatives taken by the Government of India during the last three/four years have not been factored in the report.

(d) & (e) The total expenditure on education , Gross Domestic Product (GDP) and its percentage for the last four years is as follows:

(in crore)

Year	Total Govt. Expenditure on education (at factor cost)	GDP at current prices of base year 1993-94	%age of Govt. Expenditure on education to GDP
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1999-2000	74816.09	1761838	4.25
2000-01	82486.43	1902998	4.33
2001-02	79865.70	2090957P	3.82
2002-03	89220.45 (RE)	2249493Q	3.97

P: Provisional Estimates, Q: Quick Estimates RE: Revised Estimates Source: Selected Education Statistics 2002-03

(f) Yes sir.