

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

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

- (a) whether `Shiksha Mitras` have been appointed in villages under the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan Scheme;
- (b) if so, whether there is any provision for constituting a committee in order to monitor the expenditure being incurred on the Shiksha Mitras;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

- (a) Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan provides for one teacher for every 40 children in a primary and upper primary school, at least two teachers in a newly opened primary school and one teacher for every class in a newly opened upper primary school. The policy and procedures for recruitment of teachers is the responsibility of the State Government concerned. Certain States are also recruiting local teachers on contract through the Panchayats. Each State has its own nomenclature for such teachers. For example, U.P., Uttaranchal and Bihar call such teachers as `Shiksha Mitra`.
- (b) to (d) Expenditure on such contract teachers is monitored as per the respective State Government's rules and procedures.