

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

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PRIVATE PARTICIPATION IN SECONDARY SCHOOL  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether private participation in running secondary schools in rural areas is virtually nil;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government is considering any policy for increasing private participation in secondary schools in rural areas; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a) As per the 7th All India School Education Survey (with reference date as on 30.9.2002) conducted by the NCERT, out of a total of 63,576 secondary schools in rural areas, 29,071 (45.72%) were privately managed. Out of them, 16,694 (26.25%) were private aided and 12,377 (19.47%) were private un-aided.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) & (d) Education being a subject in the concurrent list, secondary education is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments. More than half of the private secondary schools are aided schools and receive the major part of salary of the teaching staff from their respective State Governments. Central Government also recognizes the importance of public private partnership and is implementing centrally sponsored schemes like "Integrated Education for Disabled Children" and "Access & Equity (Girls' Hostel)" in secondary education, under which assistance is given to voluntary organization, either directly or through State Governments.