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<b>UNION TERRITORIES</b>			
1. Andaman & Nicobar Island	73.02	0.00	56.62
2. Chandigarh	77.81	55.44	0.00
3. Dadra & Nagar Haveli	40.71	77.64	28.25
4. Daman & Diu	71.20	79.18	52.91
5. Delhi	75.29	57.60	0.00
6. Lakshadweep	81.78	0.00	80.58
7. Pondicherry	74.74	56.26	0.00

\*Excludes figures of Jammu & Kashmir where 1991 census was not taken.

### Literacy Rate

†469. SHRI BARJINDER SINGH HAMDARD:  
SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that the number of literate persons in the country was 52 per cent of the total population, as per the 1991 census;

(b) whether it is also a fact that according to the survey conducted recently, it went to 64 per cent upto the end of 1998;

(c) if so, whether it is a fact that this figure of 64 per cent literacy is not in conformity with the figures of enrolment of children in primary schools of the country from 1991 to 1998; and

(d) if so, the facts in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAYSINGRAO GAIKWAD PATIL): (a) As per the 1991 Census, the literacy rate in the country was 52.21%.

(b) The National Sample Survey Organisation, which has released the findings of the 53rd round of its survey, has projected a literacy rate of 64% in the country by the end of 1998.

(c) and (d) Recent surveys indicate improvement in enrolment of children in the primary schools of the country from 1991 to 1998.

†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi