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03.	MAHARASHTRA	05
	Bombay	
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	Greater Bombay	
	Pune	
04.	UTTAR PRADESH	11
	Banda	
	Dehradun	
	Fatehpur	
	Lakhimpur	
	Lucknow	
	Moradabad	
	Pauri Garhwal	
	Rampur	
	Saharanpur	
	Shah Jahnpur	
	Sonbhadra	

Funds released under National Literacy Mission and Operation Black Board

540. SHRI SHIBU SOREN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item entitled "Missing Funds—HRD clueless" published in Indian Express of 15th December, 1998;

(b) if so, the details of funds allocated under the National Literacy Mission and Operation Black Board and released to States during the last five years, year-wise;

(c) the details of amount spent by the State Governments since then, State-wise and year-wise; and

(d) what further action is being taken by Government in this connection?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) Yes,

Sir. The amounts mentioned in the news-item referred to in the question are unspent balances with the State Governments/Implementing agencies.

(b) State-wise allocation of funds is not made under National Literacy Mission and the funds are released on project basis. State-wise break-up of funds released under the National Literacy Mission and Operation Black Board during the last 5 years is given at Annexure. [See Appendix 186, Annexure No. 10]

(c) and (d) Since funds for Total Literacy Campaigns are released to the implementing agencies on project basis for a specified time-frame, no year-wise details of expenditure are compiled. State-wise break-up of amount released to State Governments, utilised and unspent balances under the Scheme of Operation Black Board from 1987-88 to 1997-98 is given in Annexure. [See Appendix 186, Annexure No. 10]