

National Literacy Mission

29fc. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Literacy Mission was set up with the target of making 100 million persons in the age group of 15-35 years literate, in a phased manner; and

(bj) if so, the progress made under the schemes, State-wise since its inception?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) National Literacy Mission was set up in May, 1988 with an aim of imparting functional literacy to 80 million adult illiterates in 15-35 age group by 1995. This was further extended to 100 million by the end of Eighth Five Year Plan. The goal has now been defined to attain full literacy i.e. a sustainable threshold level of 75 per cent literacy by 2005.

(b) A Statement is annexed (*See* below). According to National Family Health survey-2, released in November, 2000, the literacy rate in 1998 was 66.9 per cent in 15-39 age group.

Statement*State Wise Progress in Literacy Rates*

Sl.No.,	States	Census 1991	NSSO 53rd round, 1997
1.	Andhra Pradesh	44.1	54
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	41.6	60
3.	Assam	52.9	75
4.	Bihar (including Jharkhand)	38.5	49
5.	Delhi	75.3	85
6.	Goa	75.5	86
7.	Gujarat	61.3	68
8.	Haryana	55.8	65
9.	Himachal Pradesh	63.9	77
10.	Jammu and Kashmir	*	59
a.	Karnataka	56.0	58
12.	Kerala	89.8	93

Sl.No.	States	Census 1991	NSSO*53rd round, 1997
13.	Madhya Pradesh (including Chhattisgarh)	44.2	56
14.	Maharashtra	64.9	74
15.	Manipur	59.9	76
16.	Meghalaya	49.1	77
17.	Mizoram	82.3	95
18.	Nagaland	61.6	84
19.	Orissa	49.1	51
20.	Punjab	58.5	67
21.	Rajasthan	38.5	55
22.	Sikkim	56.9	79
23.	Tamil Nadu	62.7	70
24.	Tripura	60.4	73
25.	Uttar Pradesh (including Uttaranchal)	41.6	56
26.	West Bengal	57.7	72

National Sample Survey Organisation.

* The 1991 census was not conducted in Jammu and Kashmir.

Admission in BCA Course in IGNOU

† 299. SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of students have taken admission in Indira Gandhi National Open University this year under bachelor of Computer Application (BCA) course;

(b) if so, the total number of such students;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the number of students getting BCA degree, out of the students admitted under this course, has been very low during the past years; and

(d) if so, the number of those students who got admission and of those who secured degree and the reasons for such a low number of students securing this degree?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) and (b) According to the information furnished by the Indira Gandhi National Open

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.