

D. Pattern of Assistance :

(a) All building' programmes should be funded by the State Governments. The DEC may consider financial support to the extent of 50% for buildings to house technical facilities like computers, audio/ video production facilities, etc.

(b) DEC may consider provision of support for installation of co terns and audio/video production facilities.

(c) Considering the substantial investment required for setting up video production facilities, the possibility of setting them up on a regional basis may be considered.

(d) The following programmes be considered for support during the eighth plan :

(i) Acquisition of courses and programmes from other open universities.

(ii) Development and preparation of course materials in non-traditional

(iii) Joint development of programmes and courses.

(iv) Translation of courses and programmes into regional languages including dubbing and sub-titling of video cassettes.

(v) Projects for research in areas appropriate to Open Universities.

(vi) Training of distance education personnel.

(vii) Participation of teachers in conferences, workshops, etc.

(viii) Exchange of faculty for short periods.

(e) The extent of support for the purposes mentioned above may be determined separately in each case.

Drop-out Rate Among Tribals

1585. SHRI SARADA MOHANTI : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether steps had been taken by Government to reduce the drop-out rate among tribal students;

I (b) if so, the review made on the implementation of these measures in different States;

(c) the progress achieved in reducing the drop-out rate; and

(d) the details thereof

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. OF FURTHER EDUCATION AND DEPTT. OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA) : (a) and (b) Several have been taken by the Central and State Governments to reduce drop-out among tribal students. Some of the steps taken by the central government are

—Provision of scholarships, text books, hostel facilities, etc;

—Provision of primary schools within one Km. distance for habitation with a population of 200;

—Improvement of facilities in primary schools under the scheme of Operation Blackboard ;

—Adoption of target group oriented strategies and fixing of separate targets for access, participation and achievement for ST children;

— Diversification and improvement of programme of non-formal education for children who remain outside the formal school system;

—Opening of Ashram Schools in Tribal Sub-Plan Areas Progress of implementation of these and other measures is regularly viewed with State governments.

(c) and (d) As a result of these measures, drop-out rate among tribal students is generally declining. State-wise drop-out rates at all stages of school education for the years 1980-81 and 1989-90 are given in the annexed statement.

Statement
Drop-out Rates of Scheduled Tribes

State/UT	Primary stage		Middle stage		Secondary stage	
	1980-81	1989-90	1980-81	1989-90	1980-81	1989-90
Andhra Pradesh	66.67	67.22*	87.66	86.28*	90.53	90.84*
Arunachal Pradesh	79.00	61.98	88.43	78.30	93.02	84.06
Asam	80.15	65.46	86.90	73.44	90.33	72.93
Bihar	81.45	70.83	88.26	86.33	93.52	91.51
Goa	61.94	24.72	90.51	67.36	94.95	79.57
Gujarat	73.03	59.48	79.61	78.88	88.83	86.90
Haryana	—	—	—	—	—	—
Himachal Pradesh	45.96	32.23	60.48	40.03	75.16	68.79
Jammu & Kashmir	—	—	—	—	—	—
Karnataka	36.57	49.13	50.65	61.09	61.94	74.46
Kerala	30.33	17.44	42.13	35.68	78.43	68.12
Madhya Pradesh	72.43	52.82	89.97	78.61	95.61	86.14
Maharashtra	76.78	61.07	86.70	76.98	91.28	84.74
Manipur	85.48	77.95	90.63	85.23	91.75	86.26
Meghalaya	75.14	47.24	85.41	72.87	88.69	92.28
Mizoram	64.98	49.39	80.22	60.92	81.93	52.55
Nagaland	74.28	39.00	86.81	68.15	92.08	75.10
Orissa	80.19	77.98*	90.24	85.26*	96.14	89.38*
Punjab	—	—	—	—	—	—
Rajasthan	71.61	73.08	76.23	77.65	86.20	86.45
Sikkim	—	57.73	—	68.70	—	86.07
Tamil Nadu	54.45	43.29	81.71	61.31	90.98	58.60
Tripura	75.00	73.91	90.00	86.64	92.79	91.56
Uttar Pradesh	33.14	34.11	68.99	55.59	83.34	46.31
West Bengal	78.83	66.38*	88.46	83.87*	92.37	92.62*
A & N Island	11.75	12.36	30.54	48.73	75.80	58.57
Chandigarh	—	—	—	—	—	—
D & N Haveli	7.795	50.34	93.39	71.75	97.72	86.45
Daman & Diu @	—	—	—	—	—	—
Delhi	—	0	—	0	—	0
Lakshadweep	35.42	0	46.91	45.53	79.53	78.34
Pondicherry	—	—	—	—	—	—
INDIA	75.66	63.81	86.71	79.35	91.18	86.28

*—Relates to 1988-89.

@—Included in Goa.