of Seventh All India Education Survey which states that there is a shortage of teachers in the schools throughout the country; and

(b) if so, the details of the report and the measures taken to meet the shortage of teachers?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI . ARJUN SINGH): (a) and (b) The Seventh All India School Education Survey . (7th AISES) conducted by National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) with September 30, 2002 as the reference date has provided data about Pupil Teacher Ratio (PTR) at primary, upper primary, secondary and higher seconday levels of education which were found to be 32.71, 28.34, 27.25 and 28.85 respectively at National level.

Education Is a subject in the Concurrent List. The recruitment of teachers in schools of States/UTs is controlled by the respective State Governments/UT Administrations. In order to improve $P \sim i$ & at primary and upper primary levels in States with adverse PT R. a total of 10.12 lakh teachers have been sanctioned under the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan.

Funding pattern for Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan

*338. SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE: SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCEJ3EVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the new funding pattern of 50:50 against 75:25 so far between the Centre and the States for S«3rva Shiksha Abhiyan has seriously affected and failed promise on education;
- (b) if so, whether many States have shown their inability to meet the new funding pattern;
- (c) if so, whether his Ministry has already prepared a proposal for approval of the Cabinet for retaining the 75:25 funding pattern;
 - (d) if so, by when a final decision in this regard is likely to be taken; and
- (e) whether States opposed this move during the State Education Ministers' Conference New Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) to (e) The Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan Programme approved in 2001 provided for a 50:50 Centre State fund sharing pattern in the Eleventh Plan period. Most States have requested Government of India to continue with the 75:25 Centre State sharing pattern for the Eleventh Plan period while North Eastern States have requested for a 90:10 sharing pattern. This request was reiterated by the States during the State Education Minister's Conference held in New Delhi on 10-11 April, 2007.

The Department of School Education and Literacy has moved a proposal along the above mentioned lines for consideration by the Government of India.

Competence of teachers in villages

†*399. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that according to a survey conducted by N.C.E.R.T., out of almost 25 lakh teachers teaching in the villages of the country, 5 lakh teachers do not have any forma! knowledge to teach children,
 - (b) if so, the details thereof,
- (c) whether it is also a fact that Government are contemplating to formulate a new proposal for College of Teachers Education and Training; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) and (b) As per the Seventh All India School Education Survey (7th AISES) conducted by National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) with September 30,2002 as reference date, out of a total number of 34,91,459 full-time teachers working in recogn^ed schools in rural India, 6,39,905 teachers were found to be untrained.

- (c) No, Sir.
- (d) Does not arise.

[†]Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.