

[2 May, 2005]

RAJYA SABHA

Funds for women and child development schemes

4053. SHRI RAJU PARMAR:
SHRIMATI KAMLA MANHAR:

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

(a) the details of the funds earmarked for women and child development schemes during the last three years;

(b) the details of the funds utilized in various States; and

(c) the details of the projects likely to be undertaken during the next two years for development of women and child development?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH): (a) and (b) Details of funds earmarked for women and child development schemes and funds released to the States during the last three years are available in the Annual Reports (2001-02, 2002-03 and 2003-04) of the Department which are available in the Library of Rajya Sabha.

(c) Projects under various schemes of the Department (as referred above) would continue to be undertaken during the next two years, as approved in the Tenth Five Year Plan (2002—07)

Unavailability of NCERT textbooks

4054. SHRI SHAHID SIDDIQUI:
SHRIDATTAMEGHE:

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

(a) whether Government are aware that NCERT books are not available in the market although the new academic session has started w.e.f. the 1st April, 2005;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the factors responsible for the delay in printing of books; and

(c) the measures taken by Government to ensure that NCERT books are made available in the market well before the academic session starts?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.D. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) and (b) The National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) has intimated that it has already released as many as 227 titles of textbooks in the market and that the remaining 10 titles would be released shortly. The NCERT has already hosted 54 textbooks for classes IX to XII on its website *www.ncert.nic.in* for easy access to the material.

(c) the NCERT is taking steps to review and reform its textbooks production and distribution system in order to ensure timely availability of textbooks to the students.

Increase of students in Primary Education Sector

‡4055. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA: SHRI
RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD:

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

(a) whether mid-term appraisal of the Tenth Five Year Plan has revealed the fact that the number of students taking admissions has increased in Primary Education Sector and the rate of drop-outs upto Class V has also decreased;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the assessment with regard to the extent of improvement in the future and by when?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.D. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) Mid-term Appraisal of the Tenth Five Year Plan has not been finalised.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Admission in colleges/universities

‡ 4056. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

SHRI RAMJETHMALANI:

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

‡ Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.