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29	A & N Islands	40022	21692	36637	22448
30	Chandigarh	58050	36998	79800	44838
31	Dadra & N. Haveli	28604	9844	39979	14833
32	Daman & Diu	15877	7777	16313	8420
33	Delhi	1394230	783232	1674560	955433
34	Lakshadweep	8002	4768	7244	4358
35	Puducherry	101348	66257	111174	69423
	TOTAL	113883060	44828235	136229962	56787869

**Financial assistance to States for universalizing quality basic education**

3495. DR. JANARDHAN WAGHMARE: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to raise public spending on education to at least six per cent of the GDP;

(b) if so, the amount/percentage of GDP proposed to be spent on primary and secondary education;

(c) whether Government proposes a cess on all central taxes to finance the commitment to universalize access to quality basic education; and

(d) if so, the amount of financial assistance proposed to be given to each State for universalizing access to quality basic education?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) and (b) National Policy on Education, 1986 as modified in 1992 had laid down that the investment on education be gradually increased to reach a level of 6% of the National Income as early as possible.

(c) and (d) An Education Cess @2% on Central Taxes was imposed in 2004 to augment resource for elementary education. An additional cess of 1% on Central Taxes was also levied with effect from the financial year 2007-08 to fund Secondary Education & Higher Education. State-wise allocations are not made by this Ministry.