

Utilisation of outlay for Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan

1812. SHRIMATI BIMBA RAIKAR : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the target for all children to be enrolled in schools under the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) is by 2011;

(b) whether several States like west Bengal and Bihar are lagging behind in implementation of the Programme with very low utilisation figures of 1.8 per cent and 3.2 per cent respectively, with both the States having an approved outlay of more than Rs. 850 crores each; and

(c) if so, the details of the corrective steps planned for better utilisation of the approved outlays by the States?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH) : (a) to (c) One of the goals of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan is for all children to complete eight years of elementary schooling by 2010. All the State Governments/UTs are implementing the programme earnestly.

The Govt. of India has from time to time drawn the attention of concerned State Governments to improving the pace of implementation of the programme.

Publication and distribution of history books

1813. SHRI JAYANTILAL BAROT: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that NCERT has ordered publication of old History Books to be distributed free to schools;

(b) if so, the details of the books, authors and first editions;

(c) the number of copies of each book; and

(d) the calculated expenditure thereon?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir. Pre-2000 history textbooks for classes VI—VIII and XI—XII were printed by the NCERT and then distributed to organizations like CBSE, KVS, NVS for further distribution in schools.

(b) and (c) Details of these books, authors, number of copies of each book are given in the enclosed Statement (See below).

(d) The expenditure incurred by the NCERT on printing and paper for the production of above books is Rs. 41,08,135/-. Payments on this count from KVS and NVS have already been received by the NCERT.

Statement

Publication and distribution of history books

Sl.No.	Name of the Title	Name of the Author	No. of Copies Printed	First Edition Printed in
1.	Ancient India, Class VI	Prof. Romila Thapar	34,000	July, 1987
2.	Prachin Bharat, Class VI	Prof. Romila Thapar	6,000	July, 1987
3.	Medieval India, Class VII	Prof. Romila Thapar	34,000	March, 1989
4.	Madhyakalin Bharat, Class VII	Prof. Romila Thapar	6,000	June, 1988
5.	Modern India, Class VIII	Prof. Arjun Dev Prof. Indira Arjun Dev	34,000	May, 1989
6.	Adhunik Bharat, Class VIII	Prof. Arjun Dev Prof. Indira Arjun Dev	6,000	May, 1989
7.	Ancient India, Class XI	Prof. Ram Sharan Sharma	34,000	June, 1999
8.	Prachin Bharat, Class XI	Prof Ram Sharan Sharma	6,000	June, 1999
9.	Medieval India, Class XI	Prof. Satish Chandra	34,000	October, 1990
10.	Madhyakalin Bharat, Class XI	Prof. Satish Chandra	6,000	October, 1990
11.	Modern India, Class XII	Prof. Bipan Chandra	34,000	April, 1990
12.	Adhunik Bharat, Class XII	Prof. Bipan Chandra	6,000	May, 1990

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13.	World Contemporary History, Pt. I	Prof. Arjun Dev Prof. Indira Arjun Dev	34,000	November, 1995
14.	Samkalin Viswa Itihas, Bhag I	Prof. Arjun Dev Prof. Indira Arjun Dev	6,000	January, 1996
15.	Contemporary World History, Pt. II	Prof. B. Ganguly Sh. Jag Mohan Prof. Namvar Singh Prof. Arjun Dev Prof. Indira Arjun Dev	34,000	February, 1997
16.	Samkalin Viswa Itihas, Bhag II	Prof. B. Ganguly Sh. Jag Mohan Prof. Namvar Singh Prof. Arjun Dev Prof. Indira Arjun Dev	6,000	April, 1998

Women and child development programme

†1814. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that different Ministries are working for the welfare of women and child development in one form or other;

(b) whether it is also a fact that due to lack of co-ordination between them they have been organising different programmes on the same subject and which has no advantage at all;

(c) whether there is a Committee for Co-ordination among all these Ministries; and

(d) if so, the steps being taken by Government in order to provide maximum benefit to people and to save money?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir. Different Ministries have their own sectoral objectives.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.