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Saharanpur, Meerut and Bulandshahar districts of Western Uttar Pradesh are covered under NHM. Mango Clusters have been developed at Behat in Saharanpur, Shahajahanpur in Merrut and Syana and Uchagaon in Bulandshahar which are traditional mango growing areas in the region. Besides, the Government of Uttar Pradesh is implementing a Phalpatty Vikas Yojana under which assistance is being provided to mango growers for taking up activities related to production and post harvest management.

Shortage of teachers for SSA schools

*520.SHRI P. RAJEEVE: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the estimated shortage of teachers for Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA);
- (b) the total number of teachers in SSA schools during the last year, Statewise: and
- (c) the percentage of teacher attendance at SSA schools during the last year, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI KAPIL SIBAL): (a) and (b) The requirement of additional teachers at the national level was estimated at 5.08 lakh to be recruited in a phased manner over a period of three years under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) for meeting the Pupil-Teacher Ratio (PTR) norms prescribed by the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009. Based on proposals received from the States and with a view to giving States/UTs adequate time to complete teacher recruitment, SSA has sanctioned 6.31 lakh additional teacher posts during the first two years of RTE implementation. Under SSA a total of 19.14 lakh teacher posts have been sanctioned since inception of the programme, against which 12.26 lakh teachers have been recruited till 31st December, 2011 by States/UTs. A State-wise statement on the total number of teachers sanctioned and recruited under SSA upto 31st December, 2012 is given in Statement-I (See below).

(c) The Government has conducted a sample survey on Students' and Teachers' Attendance in 2006-07 in twenty States. As per the findings of this survey, the average attendance rate of teachers was 81.7% at primary stage and 80.5% at upper primary stage. A State-wise statement on teacher attendance is given in Statement-II (*See* below).

State-wise number of teacher sanctioned and recruited under SSA upto 31.12.2012

Sl. No.	State	Teachers sanctioned	Teachers Recruited
1	2	3	4
1	Andhra Pradesh	38319	39847
2	Arunachal Pradesh	6441	5226
3	Assam	28793	0
4	Bihar	403413	191983
5	Chhattisgarh	66685	54985
6	Goa	169	179
7	Gujarat	38372	26677
8	Haryana	11320	9133
9	Himachal Pradesh	5856	3553
10	J & K	43471	39739
11	Jharkhand	104231	84048
12	Karnataka	27195	24278
13	Kerala	2925	0
14	Madhya Pradesh	171267	98287
15	Maharashtra	41434	15311
16	Manipur	2719	0
17	Meghalaya	13262	14020
18	Mizoram	2473	1886
19	Nagaland	3147	590
20	Odisha	89901	88442
21	Punjab	14090	9694

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1	2	3	4
22	Rajasthan	114132	94201
23	Sikkim	568	185
24	Tamil Nadu	32918	37666
25	Tripura	6909	5694
26	Uttar Pradesh	423553	258924
27	Uttarakhand	14155	5998
28	West Bengal	196808	114336
29	A & N Isld	177	194
30	Chandigarh	1390	785
31	D & N Haveli	856	377
32	Daman Diu	113	95
33	Delhi	7104	36
34	Lakshadweep	35	36
35	Puducherry	48	36
	Total	1914249	1226441

State-wise percentage of teachers attendance

States	Teachers		
	Primary Schools	Upper Primary Schools	
1	2	3	
Andhra Pradesh	78.1	77.3	
Assam	79.2	55.2	
Bihar	75.8	74.9	
Chhattisgarh	75.7	73.5	

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1	2	3
Delhi	95.0	NA*
Gujarat	70.0	87.6
Haryana	86.9	91.9
Himachal Pradesh	80.0	88.0
Jammu & Kashmir	80.8	83.1
Karnataka	83.9	84.0
Kerala	84.5	85.3
Madhya Pradesh	70.4	67.0
Maharashtra	87.8	87.1
Orissa	87.4	86.6
Punjab	83.5	78.1
Rajasthan	81.1	79.8
Tamil Nadu	86.6	89.6
Uttar Pradesh	77.8	82.6
Uttarakhand	83.0	77.7
West Bengal	96.3	98.1
Overall	81.7	80.5

NA* Percentage of teacher attendance at upper primary level in Delhi is not available due to administrative bottleneck in data collection.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO UNSTARRED QUESTIONS

Advance estimation for crop production

3876. SHRI AMBETH RAJAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has made any advance estimation for crop production in the country for the current year 2012-13; and