

- (b) if so, the facts in this regard;
- (c) whether Government has fixed a new deadline to achieve the above objective; and
- (d) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. SHASHI THAROOR): (a) to (d) Considerable progress has been made by all the States and UTs with regard to meeting the standards given in the schedule to the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory (RTE), Act, 2009. Most eligible habitations in the country have been provided with neighbourhood schools, residential school or transportation facilities, to provide access to elementary education. Under the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), 3,04,454 school buildings, 17,91,860 additional classrooms, 8,53,624 toilets and 2,29,840 drinking water and 19.82 lakh teacher posts have been sanctioned to augment school infrastructure. The States/UTs have constructed 2,63,427 school buildings, 13,78,016 additional classrooms, 5,42,826 toilets, 2,13,408 drinking water and appointed 12.86 lakh teachers upto December, 2012. As a result by 2011-12 school data, 87.63% of Government schools have toilets and 94.45% have drinking water which has gone up from a level of 52.39% and 83.07% respectively in 2005-06. The creation of school infrastructure and buildings takes time and progress is reflected in subsequent years.

The Government has heeded the sense of the discussions in the Central Advisory Board on Education in its meeting held on 8th November, 2012 not to relax timelines for school infrastructure standards set out in the RTE Act. States are expected to continue to ensure compliance with all the provisions of the Act.

Setting up of additional IIT and IIM in Maharashtra

4125. DR. BHARATKUMAR RAUT: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a proposal for establishment of an additional Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) and an Indian Institute of Management (IIM) in Maharashtra under Twelfth Five Year Plan has been submitted by State Government of Maharashtra in August, 2011;

(b) whether the Ministry has recommended for inclusion of the above proposal in Twelfth Five Year Plan in view of the dire need of the students of the State, who live outside their own State for technical education;

(c) the current status of the proposal; and

(d) whether the necessary budgetary allocation has been made in the Twelfth Five Year Plan for the above proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. SHASHI THAROOR): (a) to (d) Yes, Sir. However, there is no proposal to set up any additional new IIT in Maharashtra as the thrust in the Eleventh Plan is on the consolidation of the existing IIT system.

Incentives for enrolment of girl students

4126. SHRI N. BALAGANGA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has assessed the enrolment of girl students in the primary, secondary and higher secondary schools in the country, during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof for the last three years, year-wise and State-wise;

(c) whether Government is giving any incentives to the States/families of the girls to increase enrolment ratio of girl students in such schools;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by Government to increase the enrolment of girl students?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. SHASHI THAROOR): (a) and (b) As per the Statistics of School Education brought out by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, the State-wise and gender-wise details of enrolment in primary, secondary and higher secondary schools during the years 2008-09 (Provisional), 2009-10 (Provisional) and 2010-11 (Provisional) are given in Statement (*See below*).

(c) and (d) The Government has been making consistent progress in meeting