

in-service teacher training is provided for elementary school teachers under the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) and for secondary school teachers under the Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA). For the year 2014-15, ₹474.55 crore have been provided for this purpose under the SSA and ₹62.63 crore under the RMSA.

National Mission on Teachers and Teaching

2642. SHRI R. LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has formulated a scheme named National Mission on Teachers and Teaching; and

(b) if so, the objectives of this scheme and the status of implementation of this scheme?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI): (a) and (b) The Government in recent budget has announced Madan Mohan Malviya Teachers Training programme. The programme envisions to focus holistically on whole sector of education without fragmenting it based on levels and sectors and also to strengthen institutional mechanisms for strengthening vertical and lateral linkages. This would consolidate and strengthen ongoing programmes related to teachers and teaching through effective coordination. It will have role in policy, regulation and oversight of new schemes for teachers and teaching. It will also provide an integrated platform for building synergies among all the existing initiatives and will attempt to create a comprehensive vehicle for Teacher/Faculty related programmes and schemes. The programme envisages to augment capacity at individual level and also enhance institutional infrastructure to give impetus to training of teachers at pre service and in service level.

Student-teacher ratio

2643. SHRI VIJAY JAWAHARLAL DARDA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has assessed/laid down the student-teacher ratio in various States of the country and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the student-teacher ratio is excessively low in Government primary and upper primary schools across the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise and the reaction of Government thereto; and

(d) whether Government has issued any guidelines to the States in this regard and if so, the details thereof ?