

**Payment of salary to teachers under SSA**

2370. PROF. M.V. RAJEEV GOWDA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether, in some States, salaries remain unpaid to teachers working under the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) whether any inquiry has been set up to establish the reasons for non-payment to teachers working under the scheme; and

(c) whether there is a delay in allocation of funds to States for payment of salaries to teachers, if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI): (a) to (c) The recruitment and service conditions of teachers, including remuneration, are in the domain of State Governments/UT Administrations. After the approval of their Annual Work Plan and Budget by the Government, first instalment of the Central Share is released immediately to States/UTs for carrying out various approved activities, including payment of salary against teacher posts funded under the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA). The second instalment of Central Share is released on the basis of release of the commensurate State Share and expenditure of more than 50% of the available funds by the respective States/UTs and furnishing of Utilisation Certificates, if due.

**OBC reservation in University of Hyderabad**

2371. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that all central universities followed OBC reservation policy for the posts of Assistant Professors except University of Hyderabad in 2007;

(b) if so, what remedial action Government has taken in this regard;

(c) the total number of backlog vacancies of OBCs, as on date, in all central universities since issuance of UGC instructions in 2007 for implementation of OBC reservation policy; and

(d) the steps taken to fill these backlog vacancies?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI): (a) and (b) As informed by the University Grants Commission (UGC), all Central Universities under the purview of UGC are following the OBC reservation in appointment.