

Sl. No.	State	No. of untrained teachers
18.	Uttarakhand	1628
19.	West Bengal	190091
20.	TOTAL	450947

Source: State Plan 2014-15

Educational infrastructure in the country

64. DR. V. MAITREYAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India has the world's third largest education system with over 700 universities and 35,000 colleges having 2.5 crore student enrolments;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps taken by Government in increasing the Gross Enrolment Ratios (GER) in higher education in the country to 20 per cent by 2020; and

(d) the educational infrastructure and the total funds required for achieving the desired goal by 2020?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. (DR.) RAM SHANKAR KATHERIA): (a) and (b) As per AISHE 2012-13 (Provisional), there were 665 Universities and 35829 colleges having enrolment of 29629022 students.

(c) and (d) During the XII Plan, an outlay of ₹110700.00 crore has been provided to Department of Higher Education. The XII Plan will build on the momentum generated during the XI Plan and continue the focus on the Three Es' (Expansion, Equity and Excellence). All three segments have to be expanded to achieve enrolment capacity of 10 million students including 1 million in open and distance learning by the end of the XII Plan. The Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) in Higher Education (calculated for the age group of 18-23 years) is 20.4 during 2011-12 (Provisional). The XII Five Year Plan aims to raise the country's GER to 25.2 by 2017-18 and to reach the target of 30 by 2020-21.

ASSOCHAM recommendations for development of human resource

65. DR. V. MAITREYAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken any serious note on the immediate

recommendations and medium and long term recommendations made by ASSOCHAM, India;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps taken by Government in implementing those recommendations and to achieve the goals in developing the human resource in the country by 2020; and

(d) the total funds required for the implementation of such recommendations and in achieving the desired goal by 2020?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. (DR.) RAM SHANKAR KATHERIA): (a) to (d) Yes, Sir. Government has noted the recommendations made by ASSOCHAM, India. These have been kept for consideration as and when the new education policy is formulated. However, a few initiatives already taken are mentioned below:

(i) Steps have been taken for setting up a National e-library.

(ii) Setting up of Virtual Classrooms and Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs).

(iii) National Skill Qualification Framework has been formulated.

(iv) Joint research proposals have been sanctioned in collaboration with Indian and foreign universities.

During the XII Plan, an outlay of ₹ 110700.00 crore has been provided to Department of Higher Education. The XII Plan will build on the momentum generated during the XI Plan and continue the focus on the 'Three E's-Expansion, Equity and Excellence'.

Functioning of RUSA

66. PROF. MRINAL MIRI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) was launched in 2013, as an instrument for promotion of quality education in higher educational institutions in all parts of the country and the Central Project Appraisal Board was to be the monitoring authority of RUSA;