

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI): (a) As per the Unified District Information System for Education (UDISE) 2013-14, the enrolment at elementary level was 174122, retention rate at primary level was 98.53%, Pupil Teacher Ratio (PTR) at elementary level was 16, annual average dropout rate at elementary level was 0.47% and Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) at primary and upper primary level in UT of Puducherry were 92.29 and 95.08 respectively.

(b) The details on funds allocated, released and expenditure incurred under SSA during 2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 for the UT of Puducherry are given below:

	(₹ in lakh)			
Items	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Approved by the Project Approval Board (PAB), SSA*	2035.18	806.34	814.13	762.67
Release of Central Share	918.91	522.02	100.00	226.15 (as on 31.01.2016)
Expenditure** (Audited)	1232.44	428.13	607.62	601.66 (reported, as on 31.01.2016)

\* Based on the Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWP&B) proposed by the U.T.

\*\*Expenditure includes central share, State share, excess State share and other miscellaneous receipts. District-wise data is not Centrally maintained.

(c) Since inception of SSA programme, 5 primary schools, 2 upper primary schools, 532 additional classrooms, 345 drinking water facilities, 312 boys toilets, 132 separate girls toilets and 94 Children with Special Needs (CWSN) toilets were sanctioned to UT of Puducherry. Of these 4 primary schools, 2 upper primary schools, 495 additional classrooms, 345 drinking water facilities, 312 boys toilets, 132 separate girls toilets and 93 CWSN toilets have so far been constructed upto 31st December, 2015. Puducherry has also been sanctioned 12 teacher posts under SSA and all these are filled.

#### **Professional training institutes in Uttarakhand**

235. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) how many professional training institutes are functioning in the Uttarakhand,

the details and names of universities to which they are affiliated and the criteria for admission in these institutes in various courses;

(b) whether these institutes qualify the standards earmarked by the UGC and the persons managing them are competent/ qualified to manage them to maintain the quality of education, if so, the details and when inspections were conducted; and

(c) if not, the reasons why affiliation of these institutes has not yet been withdrawn in the public interest?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI): (a) There are 161 AICTE approved professional technical institutes functioning in the State of Uttarakhand. The institutes are affiliated to three universities namely, G.B. Pant University of Agriculture and Technology, Udham Singh Nagar, Gurukula Kangari Vishwavidyalaya, Haridwar and Uttarakhand Technical University, Dehradun. Admission in these technical institutes is on the basis of entrance examination conducted by the Directorate of Technical Education and Uttarakhand Technical University.

(b) and (c) The AICTE grants approval for opening of new technical institutions or extension of approval to existing technical institutions, subject to fulfillment of norms and standards as prescribed in the Approval Process Handbook of AICTE. Inspection of the AICTE approved Institute is conducted, if any complaint is received against any institute. Institute(s) not adhering to the norms and standards are liable for action as laid down in the Approval Process Handbook.

#### **Poaching of teachers by coaching institutes**

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

(a) whether Government is aware that coaching centres throughout India are poaching teachers and schools and taking experienced lot out of schools to their coaching centres;

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken to retain experienced teachers in Government schools and colleges; and

(c) whether Government is also aware that coaching centres are cheating students by promising admission in country's premier engineering and professional institutions and charging exorbitant fees, if so, the action taken by Government in this regard?