396	Written Answers to	[RAJYA SABHA]			Unstarred Questions		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
22. F	Rajasthan	0	1	1	1	1	0
23.	Гатіl Nadu	2	0	4	0	5	1
24.	Telangana	2	3	2	3	2	1
25.	Ггірига	2	0	0	0	1	0
26. U	Uttar Pradesh	6	0	6	0	8	0
27. U	Uttarakhand	2	0	0	0	0	0
28. V	West Bengal	5	2	1	0	1	0
7	T otal	59	20	50	15	108	16

Note: No scheme of National Overseas scholarship for minority students is being implemented.

Performance bonus to teachers and principals

- 714. SHRI MAHESH PODDAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has considered incentivising Government schools by providing performance bonus to teachers and principals; and
 - (b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UPENDRAKUSHWAHA): (a) and (b) No Sir, the recruitment, service conditions and deployment of teachers are primarily in the domain of the State Governments and UT Administrations. However, the Central Government through the centrally sponsored schemes of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) and Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) provides financial assistance for appointment of teachers in new upper primary/secondary school and for additional teachers to ensure Pupil-Teacher Ratio as per the norms at elementary and secondary level.

Growth in Gross Enrolment Ratio

715. SHRI K. R. ARJUNAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

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- whether it is a fact that Government is aiming at 30 per cent Gross Enrolment (a) Ratio in higher education by 2020 but the progress has been slow, of late;
 - (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- whether it is also a fact that Government is considering to increase Gross (c) Enrolment Ratio with required expansion; and
 - if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. SATYA PAL SINGH): (a) to (d) Yes, Sir. The aim of Government is to achieve Higher Education Gross Enrolment Ratio of 30% in age group of 18-23 years by 2020. Rapid strides are being made in achieving this target, and as per the All India Survey on Higher Education the Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) stands at 25.2% in 2016-17.

In order to increase the enrolment in higher educational institutions, various measures have been taken by Government which include:-

- Issuing of new UGC regulation for Open and Distance Learning that allows entry of reputed institutions to offer education on the distance mode.
- Using of ICT technology-SWAYAM portal to reach out of people and allow them to secure good quality education.
 - (iii) Opening of more Centrally funded institutions.
 - Encouraging opening of institutions by State Governments through the (iv) Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) which aims to achieve equity, access and excellence in higher education. The scheme supports components such as upgrading autonomous colleges to universities, clustering colleges to establish a university, setting up of new professional colleges in un-served and underserved areas as well as providing infrastructure grants to universities and colleges to scale up capacity.
 - (v) More scholarship programmes to supplement the cost of education.

Bringing Madarsa education into mainstream

†716. SHRI P. L. PUNIA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

the details of works done to bring Madarsa education into mainstream; (a)

[†]Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.