(c) if so, the action taken/proposed to be taken by Government to ensure timely action in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) In accordance with Ordinance XV-D of the Ordinances of the University of Delhi the Apex Complaint Committee constituted by the University to look into the cases of alleged sexual harassment submits its report which are processed and placed before the Executive Council (EC) for consideration and decision. These reports are processed in chronological order. The EC in its meeting held on 20th August, 2007 considered two such reports and has decided to initiate the process to terminate the services of two teachers.

- (b) According to information furnished by Delhi Universily there has been no case of harassment of victim (s) and witnesses.
 - (c) Does not arise.

Tiny books for little children

2794. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government are introducing graded self-reading series of tiny books for little children; and
 - (b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) and (b) The National Council of Educational Research and Training has launched a reading programme for the early grades of the primary stage, as an exemplar for States to build their own programmes for strengthening childrens' reading skills.

Setting up of primary schools with World Bank aid

†2795. SHRI JAI PARKASH AGGARWAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the locations in rural areas where primary schools have been set up with World Bank aid, as on date, State-wise;
- (b) the funds allocated for this purpose during each of the last three years, till date, State-wise; and
- (c) the locations in rural areas where primary schools are proposed to be set up with World Bank aid in the near future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (c) The World Bank and other external funding agencies reimburse the expenditure incurred by the

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

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Government of India on the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) within the limits of external assistance approved for this programme. The SSA provides for opening of a primary school within one kilometer of a habitation. State-wise funds released by the Central Government for implementation of SSA for the last three years, year-wise is given the Statement.

Statement

Funds released by Central Government under SSA to States/UTs during 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07

(Rupees in crore)

Sl. No.	Name of the State	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	
1	2	3	4	5	
1	Andhra Pradesh	280.00	379.99	462.46	
2	Arunachal Pradesh	30.09	44.43	71.47	
3	Assam	206.54	138.50	514.65	
4	Bihar	319.71	324.00	1077.44	
5	Chhattisgarh	207.87	301.84	501.82	
6	Goa	0	7.28	7.24	
7	Gujarat	140.72	150.85	148.07	
8	Haryana	128.82	101.97	256.47	
9	Himachal Pradesh	61.44	76.15	62.51	
10	Jammu and Kashmir	77.47	185.31	220.83	
11	Jharkhand	165.69	285.69	515.15	
12	Karnataka	262.81	283.04	542.07	
13	Kerala	89.39	59.39	63.82	
14	Madhya Pradesh	446.09	771.73	1108.80	
15	Maharashtra	354.90	502.35	521.59	
16	Manipur	12.25	32.08	0.09	
17	Meghalaya	29.31	19.21	42.94	
18	Mizoram	33.00	25.59	34.42	
19	Nagaland	20.88	23.23	23.15	
20	Orissa	218.07	327. 92	440.12	
21	Punjab	30.40	146.84	128.80	

1	2	3	4	5
22	Rajasthan	235.49	603.13	758.10
23	Sikkim	10.00	10.63	4.02
24	Tamil Nadu	265.17	353.30	373.30
25	Tripura	47.04	70.70	53.30
26	Uttar Pradesh	877.61	1827.99	2066.54
27	Uttaranchal	91.45	100.04	169.34
28	West Bengal	460.24	342.00	617.37
29	A and N Islands	2.73	1.63	4.20
30	Chandigarh	4.48	3.50	3.00
31	Dadra and N. Haveli	1.12	0	1.00
32	Daman and Diu	0	1.12	
33	Delhi	0	11.00	42.30
34	Lakshadweep	0.12	0	0.87
35	Pondicherry	2.26	5.29	

Creation of educational infrastructure

2796. SHRI S.M. LALJAN BASHA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have finalized plans to create necessary educational infrastructure and overhauling of university Education, in keeping with the Independence Day Address of the Prime Minister;
- (b) whether it is a fact that less than 10 per cent of the elilgible age group of 17-21 have access to higher education;
- (c) whether Government have set a target to make higher education accessible to at least 15 per cent of the eligible age group; and
- (d) if so, the details of steps to be taken to help poor students of all castes and communities to get access to higher education?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (d) The Eleventh Plan proposals for Higher Education include Schemes for strengthening infrastructure, quality and enhancing access. The Plan target for the Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) for the relevant age group of 18-24 years, has been proposed at 15% subject to availability of resources, against the present GER of approximately 10% of the eligible group.