

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 836
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.02.2022**

Reviving the education sector

836 SHRI SUJEET KUMAR:

Will the Minister of *Education* be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of expenditure on education by Government over the last five years split over primary, secondary and tertiary sectors;
- (b) the expenditure of the same as a percentage of GDP over the last five years;
- (c) whether Government is planning to bring in any new programmes so as to revive the education sector in the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
(DR. SUBHAS SARKAR)**

- (a) The details of expenditure on education by Government from 2014-15 to 2018-19 split over primary, secondary, adult and tertiary (includes University & Higher education, Technical Education) sectors as per Analysis of Budgeted Expenditure on Education are as below:

Sl. No.	Sector	Sector-wise Government Expenditure on Education (Rs. in Crore)				
		2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18 (RE)	2018-19 (BE)
1	Elementary Education	225763.41	264348.54	271486.47	306208.57	339122.17
2	Secondary Education	122762.94	142640.12	159118.85	183220.4	209281.34
3	Adult Education	1013.62	1167.84	1234.89	1102.95	1013.5
4	Tertiary Education*	157309.17	169636	221259.13	243148.59	266020.23
	Total	506849.13	577792.51	653099.33	733680.51	815437.23

* Tertiary Education includes University & Higher Education and Technical Education

(b) The expenditure details on education as percentage of GDP are as follows :

Sl. No .	Sector	Sector-wise Government Expenditure on Education as percentage of GDP				
		2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18 (RE)	2018-19 (BE)
1	Elementary Education	1.81	1.92	1.76	1.79	1.79
2	Secondary Education	0.98	1.04	1.03	1.07	1.10
3	Adult Education	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
4	Tertiary Education*	1.27	1.23	1.44	1.43	1.40
	Total	4.07	4.20	4.24	4.29	4.30
* Tertiary Education includes University & Higher Education and Technical Education						

(c) & (d) Yes Sir, Improving the quality of education across all levels from primary to university level is a continuous and ongoing process. In this direction, National Education Policy 2020 has been announced on 29.07.2020. Several provisions have been made in the National Education Policy 2020 (NEP 2020) to improve the standard of education in school and higher education. NEP 2020 aims to ensure that no student loses any opportunity to learn and excel because of the circumstances of birth or background.
