GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

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Budget for National Education Policy

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

- (a) whether the NEP 2020 goal to allocate 6 per cent of GDP for education budget has been implemented, if so, the details thereof, and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (b) the steps taken to address the stagnation or decline in the Education Expenditure (EE) to GDP ratio and its share in total expenditure and social services; and
- (c) whether Government plans to review and significantly enhance funding for school education, higher education, and Samagra Shiksha schemes to align with the goals of NEP 2020 and address inflationary pressures?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR)

(a) to (c): National Education Policy 2020 (NEP 2020) endorses and envisions a substantial increase in public investment in education by both the Central government and all State / UT Governments. The Central and the States / UTs are working together to increase the public investment in Education sector to reach 6% of Gross Domestic Product (GDP).

As per the "Analysis of Budgeted Expenditure on Education 2019-20 to 2021-22", BE (Centre and States) on Education in India is 4.12% of GDP in 2021-22.

In this regard, the Central Government has increased Budget allocation of Ministry of Education (MoE) for various activities as below:

Year	Budget Allocation
2021-22	Rs. 93,224.31 Cr
2022-23	Rs. 1,04,278 Cr
2023-24	Rs. 1,12,899 Cr
2024-25	Rs. 1,21,118 Cr (BE)

Central allocation under the Samagra Shiksha scheme during the last three years is as under:

Year	Budget Allocation
2021-22	Rs. 30,000.00 Cr
2022-23	Rs. 32,514.67 Cr
2023-24	Rs. 33,000.00 Cr
2024-25	Rs. 37,500.00 Cr (BE)

Source: Finance Division