GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION AND LITERACY

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1492 TO BE ANSWERED ON 5th MARCH, 2018

Education Budget

1492. SHRI KAMAL NATH:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has decided to design a new scheme based on composite schooling from pre-primary to class XII in place of the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total expenditure incurred by the Government on education in the past three years vis-à-vis GDP reported; and

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to boost infrastructure in education in the next few years particularly in rural areas across the country?

ANSWER MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA)

(a) and (b): In pursuance of the announcement in the Union Budget, 2018-19, to treat school education holistically without segmentation from pre-nursery to Class 12, the Department has prepared an Integrated Scheme on School Education by subsuming the three Centrally Sponsored Schemes of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) and Teacher Education (TE). States have been advised to integrate the administrative structures at various levels created for SSA and RMSA in the States and UTs to achieve productive synergies, better co-ordination and enhanced focus on improvement in quality of education.

(c): The year-wise details of total expenditure incurred and as a % of the GDP by the Government, including the State Governments, on education during the last three years as per the latest data available are:

(Rs. in crore)

Financial Year	Total Expenditure on Education	Total	Expenditure		on
	by Centre and States	Education	by	Centre	and
		States as a % of GDP			

2012-13	372680.46	3.70	
2013-14	441629.04	3.86	
2014-15	515692.62	4.04	

Source: Analysis of Budgeted Expenditure on Education, 2012-13 to 2014-15, MHRD

(d): The Central Government supports States and UTs for creation and augmentation of infrastructural facilities in government elementary and secondary schools under the SSA and RMSA programmes. The requirement of infrastructural facilities in schools is worked out every year by the respective State and Union Territory on incremental basis depending on their need and priority and this is reflected in their Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWP&B).
