

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2052
TO BE ANSWERED ON 30th July, 2018**

Free Textbooks under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan

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

- (a) the number of students who have been provided text books free of cost under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) during the last three years;
- (b) the details of the funds allocated by the Union Government to State Governments to provide free text books to the students under the SSA during the last three years, State/UT and year-wise;
- (c) whether any criteria has been formulated for the distribution of text books and if so, the details thereof along with the agency through which books are being procured;
- (d) whether the text books are also being procured from the private publishers and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the text books provided by the private publishers fulfill the fixed criteria; and
- (f) if so, whether the Government has conducted any survey in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): The details of the number of students who have been provided text books and the funds allocated under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) during the last three years are at Annexure. The Central Government has launched an Integrated scheme, for school education named as Samagra Shiksha w.e.f 2018-19, which subsumes the three erstwhile Centrally Sponsored schemes of school education i.e Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA),

Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) and Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Teacher Education (CSSTE). Under the erstwhile scheme of SSA, textbooks were provided to all children in Government/Local Body and Government aided schools including Madarsas desirous of introducing the State curriculum, within an upper ceiling of Rs150/- per child at primary level and Rs 250/- per child at upper primary level. Under the Integrated scheme of Samagra Shiksha, the ceiling has been increased to Rs.250/- per child at primary level and Rs.400/- at upper primary level.

(c) to (e): Section 29 (1) of the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education(RTE) Act, 2009, provides that the curriculum and evaluation procedure for elementary education shall be laid down by an academic authority notified by the appropriate Government. As education is in the Concurrent List of the Constitution, the majority of schools come under the purview of the State Governments and UT Administrations. Hence, development and distribution of textbooks to children at elementary level is under the jurisdiction of the Academic authorities like Textbook Boards, SCERTs etc, notified by the respective States/UTs.

Further, the National Curriculum Framework (NCF), 2005 sets the guidelines and direction for the development of syllabi and textbooks at all the school stages. In compliance of NCF 2005, National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) has prepared model syllabi and textual material in various subjects. The States adopt/adapt the model syllabi and text books of NCERT or develop their own syllabi, textbooks and other teaching learning materials based on NCF.

(f): No survey has been conducted in this context. However, States and UTs have been suggested to ensure textbooks production, printing and distribution as per norms and as per the provisions/guidelines made by the academic authority of respective States/UTs.

Annexure

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2052 FOR ANSWER ON 30.07.2018 ASKED BY SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE, DR. HEENA VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT, SHRI SATAV RAJEEV, SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM, DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN, SHRI DHANANJAY MAHADIK & SHRI MOHITE PATIL VIJAYSINH SHANKARRAO REGARDING FREE TEXTBOOKS UNDER SARVA SHIKSHA ABHIYAN

Distribution of Free Textbooks under SSA during the last three years

(Rs in Lakh)

Sl. No.	State/ UTs	2015-16	2015-16	2016-17	2016-17	2017-18	2017-18
		Phy.	Fin.	Phy.	Fin.	Phy.	Fin.
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	0	0.00	18	0.03	0	0.00
2	Andhra Pradesh	3136	6.25	6691	13.44	5151	10.11
3	Arunachal Pradesh	245062	447.27	239430	438.20	199856	371.61
4	Assam	3036179	5575.96	2749396	5069.06	2754161	5101.77
5	Bihar	20678916	37367.90	21863649	39613.19	20473538	37342.66
6	Chandigarh	108432	208.15	108631	209.96	107168	417.43
7	Chhattisgarh	2690193	5045.79	2585285	4877.77	2484053	4702.97
8	D & Nagar Haveli	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
9	Daman & Diu	15251	28.78	14699	27.47	15374	28.87
10	Delhi	414993	1037.08	413870	1033.65	406076	1014.77
11	Goa	136650	273.03	138011	274.47	137859	273.03
12	Gujarat	785519	1954.80	740324	1843.35	751913	1871.83
13	Haryana	1958029	3683.65	1632254	3102.10	1526850	2907.39
14	Himachal Pradesh	337588	651.01	326617	630.36	312768	602.91
15	Jammu & kashmir	697578	1374.58	695481	1367.60	667616	1320.17
16	Jharkhand	3811632	6858.54	3760660	6775.75	3759166	6773.36
17	Karnataka	986715	1726.12	975299	1297.25	908265	1808.66
18	Kerala	2350266	4697.23	2297311	4588.03	2255928	4497.06
19	Lakshadweep	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
20	Madhya Pradesh	8850199	16550.44	8055629	15188.25	7582321	14254.65
21	Maharashtra	12386001	23538.26	12015950	22878.98	11702764	22281.75
22	Manipur	226490	384.44	220120	380.31	188704	325.14
23	Meghalaya	599223	1079.81	614525	1113.33	614655	1113.57
24	Mizoram	119094	219.98	117932	217.93	107165	199.23
25	Nagaland	165666	294.53	164596	293.01	125771	226.60
26	Odisha	4388183	8155.45	4254305	7974.27	4131487	7807.83
27	Puducherry	33	0.06	28	0.05	30	0.06
28	Punjab	787432	1513.91	756733	1463.94	714181	1389.23
29	Rajasthan	452842	1129.59	500089	1247.88	514559	1284.21
30	Sikkim	77382	150.73	70439	140.38	62467	125.28
31	Tamil Nadu	1710	3.42	8799	16.91	1492	2.97
32	Telangana	3440	6.78	5892	12.66	2276612	4328.83
33	Tripura	504124	941.96	485173	910.05	471220	886.84
34	Uttar Pradesh	13301637	18640.89	12759485	22962.79	12216663	22087.52
35	Uttarakhand	593790	1140.45	576089	1101.72	548711	1054.01
36	West Bengal	4614743	11523.29	4679589	11688.02	4181189	10443.55
	Total	85328128	156210.12	83832999	158752.15	82205733	156855.85

Source-PAB Minutes
