# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1341 TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.11.2019

#### **New Education Policy**

#### 1341. DR. AMAR SINGH:

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

- (a) whether the Government has allocated just three per cent for education out of the total budget and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether on the one hand the Government is implementing new education policy, a research fund, skill development and a new and reformed higher education regulatory but on the other hand it is silent on school education and if so, the steps taken/to be taken in this direction?

#### **ANSWER**

#### MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

### (SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK')

(a) and (b): The Government has allocated Rs. 94853.64 crores to the Ministry of HRD for the current financial year 2019-20. The public expenditure on education in India has hovered around 4.38% of GDP (Analysis of Budgeted Expenditure 2016-17); currently, around 10% of the total Government spending goes towards education (Economic Survey 2017-18).

The Government in the process of formulating a new National Education Policy for which detailed consultations have been carried with various stakeholders and several suggestions and inputs have been received for reforming the education system across all levels and subsectors, of school and higher education, including adult education, vocational education, and professional education. The Committee for the Draft National Education Policy under the Chairmanship of Dr. K. Kasturirangan submitted its report to the Ministry on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019. The Draft NEP 2019 which was uploaded on the Ministry's website and also at innovate.mygov.in platform has received a large number of suggestions/comments from all stakeholders including Government of India Ministries and State Governments. Currently, the Ministry is in the process of finalizing the National Education Policy, 2019.

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