

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No.3610
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.08.2016**

Mid-Day Meal During Summer Vacations

**†3610.SHRI NIHAL CHAND:
SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT:**

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to provide Mid-Day Meal in schools even during the summer vacations and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to make ready to eat food items available under the said scheme;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

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

(a): The Mid Day Meal (MDM) Guidelines envisage serving of mid day meals in elementary schools during summer vacation in areas which are formally notified by the concerned State Governments as drought affected. Under the scheme, in addition to regular funding for the year 2016-17, an amount of Rs. 480.91 crore has been released to 12 States viz. Andhra Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Rajasthan, Telangana, Uttarakhand and Uttar Pradesh for serving mid day meals during summer vacation in drought affected areas. The State-wise details of additional grant released to drought affected areas of 12 States are given at Annexure.

(b) to (d): As per MDM guidelines, hot cooked meal are served to eligible children. There is no provision in the MDM guidelines to replace the existing hot cooked meal with ready to eat food.

Annexure

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3610 for 08.08.2016 raised by Shri Nihal Chand and Shri Gajendra Singh Shekhawat regarding Mid-Day Meal During Summer Vacations.

State-wise details of additional Central assistance released for drought affected areas of 12 States

S.No.	States	Additional Central assistance released for drought affected areas (Rs. In lakhs)
1.	Andhra Pradesh	2437.76
2.	Chhattisgarh	3736.15
3.	Gujarat	123.57
4.	Jharkhand	2865.28
5.	Karnataka	5163.16
6.	Madhya Pradesh	7001.25
7.	Maharashtra	4270.41
8.	Orissa	4555.12
9.	Rajasthan	2229.54
10.	Telangana	1965.08
11.	Uttarakhand	1183.54
12.	Uttar Pradesh	12560.95
	Total	48091.81