### MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

DEMAND NO. 57

## **Department of School Education and Literacy**

A. The Budget allocations, net of recoveries, are given below:

									(In	crores of	f Rupees)
				get 2009	-2010	Revis	sed 2009	-2010	Budg	get 2010-	2011
	Major Head			Non-Plar		Plan	Non-Plar	n Total	Plan N	lon-Plan	Total
Revenue		26050.00	2299.21		22479.00	2609.00	25088.00	31036.00	2178.00	33214.00	
	Capital		750.00		750.00			250.00			
	Total		26800.00		29099.21	22729.00	2609.00	25338.00	31036.00	2178.00	33214.00
1.	Secretariat-Social Services	2251		4.02	4.02		3.80	3.80		4.22	4.22
Ge	eneral Education										
Ele	ementary Education										
2.	Strengthening of Teachers Training	2202	1.30		1.30	0.50		0.50	1.30		1.30
	Institutions	3601	428.70		428.70	276.30		276.30	428.70		428.70
		3602	20.00		20.00	15.00		15.00	20.00		20.00
3.	Mahila Samakhya	<i>Total</i> 2202	450.00 38.00		450.00 38.00	291.80		291.80 42.00	<i>450.00</i> 46.00	*	<i>450.00</i> 46.00
4.	National Bal Bhawan, New Delhi	2202	6.30		11.53	6.30		12.40	12.82	5.70	18.52
5.	District Primary Education							-			
	Programme (EAP)	2202	0.01		0.01						
6.	National Programme of Mid Day	2202	1238.10		1238.10	528.00		528.00	96.12		96.12
	Meals in Schools	3601 3602	611.20 75.00		611.20 75.00	259.23		259.23 37.00	2368.32 80.68		2368.32 80.68
		Total	1924.30		1924.30	824.23		824.23	2545.12		2545.12
7.	Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan(SSA)	2202	4239.23		4239.23	3517.88		3517.88	4994.08		4994.08
		3601	0.01		0.01	0.01		0.01	0.01		0.01
		3602	0.01		0.01	0.01		0.01	0.01		0.01
0	1 Transfer to Income and Expanditure	Total	4239.25		4239.25	3517.90		3517.90	4994.10		4994.10
0.	1 Transfer to Income and Expenditure Account of										
	National Investment Fund	3475	185.90		185.90	185.90		185.90	125.88		125.88
8.2	National Programme of Mid Day										
	Meals in Schools	2202	185.90		185.90	185.90		185.90	125.88		125.88
8.3	Amount met from National		405.00		405.00	405.00		105.00	405.00		405.00
	Investment Fund	2202 Net	-185.90 <i>185.90</i>		-185.90 <i>185.90</i>	-185.90 185.90		-185.90 <i>185.90</i>	-125.88 <i>125.88</i>		-125.88 <i>125.88</i>
9.	Transfer to Prarambhik Shiksha	Net	100.90		105.90	100.90		105.90	120.00		123.00
0.	Kosh (PSK)	2202	12784.47	·	12784.47	12257.67		12257.67	14433.00		14433.00
10	Schemes financed from Prarambhik										
	Shiksha Kosh (PSK)										
10	1. National Programme of Mid Day Meals in Schools	2202				705.10		705.10	100.00		100.00
	Meals III Schools	3601	 5089.80		 5089.80	4907.55		4907.55	5725.00		5725.00
		3602									
		Total	5089.80		5089.80	5612.65		5612.65	5825.00		5825.00
10	.2. Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan(SSA)	2202	7694.67	·	7694.67	8416.02		8416.02	8608.00		8608.00
		3601 3602									
		Total	 7694.67		 7694.67	8416.02		 8416.02	 8608.00		 8608.00
An	nount met from Prarambhik Shiksha	rotar	1001.01	•••	1001.01	0110.02		0110.02	0000.00		0000.00
	Kosh (PSK)	2202	-7694.67	·	-7694.67	-9121.12		-9121.12	-8708.00		-8708.00
		3601	-5089.80		-5089.80	-4907.55		-4907.55	-5725.00		-5725.00
		3602				1 4000 67					
11	The Scheme for Providing Quality	<i>Total</i> 2202	12784.47- 2.50		-12784.47 2.50	-14028.67		-14028.67 2.50	2.50		-14433.00 2.50
	Education in Madrassas	3601	42.49		42.49	42.49		42.49	42.49		42.49
	(SPQEM)	3602	0.01		0.01	0.01		0.01	0.01		0.01
		Total	45.00		45.00	45.00		45.00	45.00		45.00
12	The Scheme for Infrastructure	2202	0.01		0.01	0.01		0.01	0.01		0.01
	Development in Minority	3601	4.48		4.48	4.48		4.48	9.65		9.65
	Institutions (IDMI)	3602 <i>Total</i>	0.01 4.50		0.01 4.50	0.01		0.01 4.50	0.01 9.67		0.01 9.67
То	tal Elementary Education	10101	19677.73		19682.96	17175.30			22661.59	 5.70	22667.29
	condary Education			-	-			-	-		
13	National Council of Educational			•- ·							
	Research & Training	2202	36.00	97.41	133.41	22.00	97.41	119.41	36.00	107.30	143.30
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	(In crores of Rupe								Rupees)		
	ı	Major Head		et 2009- Non-Plan	2010 Total		ed 2009-2 Non-Plan	:010 Total	Budg Plan N	2011 Total	
14. 15. 16.	Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti Rashtriya Madhyamik Shikshi	2202 2202 a	270.00 1170.00	1812.83 341.29	2082.83 1511.29	306.00 1170.00	2085.44 376.20	2391.44 1546.20	315.00 1246.50	1652.00 370.40	1967.00 1616.90
10.	Abhiyan (RMSA)	2202	983.46		983.46	412.29			1527.52		1527.52
		3601 3602	150.00 10.00		150.00 10.00	59.96 5.00		59.96 5.00	0.01 0.01		0.01 0.01
		Total	1143.46		1143.46	477.25		477.25	1527.54		1527.54
17.	Scheme for Setting up of 600 Model Schools at Block Level a										
	Bench Mark of Excellence	2202	282.00		282.00	242.88		242.88	382.48		382.48
		3601 3602	30.00 0.90		30.00 0.90	0.01		0.01 0.01	0.01 0.01		0.01 0.01
		Total	312.90		312.90	242.90		242.90	382.50		382.50
18.	Information & Communication										
	Technology in Schools	2202 3601	22.00 244.00		22.00 244.00	6.50 172.00		6.50 172.00	39.15 316.85		39.15 316.85
		3602	4.00		4.00	1.50		1,2.00	4.00		4.00
		Total	270.00		270.00	180.00		180.00	360.00		360.00
19.	Inclusive Education for the Disable	d 2202	1.50		1.50	1.00		1.00	3.50		3.50
	at Secondary School (IEDSS)	3601	60.00		60.00	50.90		50.90	58.00		58.00
		3602 <i>Total</i>	1.50 63.00		1.50 63.00	2.10 54.00		2.10 54.00	1.50 63.00		1.50 63.00
20.	National Institute of Open Schooling		15.00		15.00	15.00		54.00 15.00	15.00		15.00
	Access and Equity	2202	0.01		0.01	0.05		0.05	0.45		0.45
		3601									
		3602									
22.	Central Tibetan Schools Societ Administration	Total y 2202	0.01		0.01	0.05	 34.33	0.05	0.45	 21 02	0.45
23.	Vocationalisation of Education	2202	6.00 6.00	32.00	38.00 6.00	6.00 0.30		40.33 0.30	8.00 4.70	31.82	39.82 4.70
		3601	25.80		25.80	0.50		0.50	17.30		17.30
		3602	1.50		1.50	0.10		0.10	0.50		0.50
24.			33.30		33.30	0.90		0.90	22.50		22.50
	Girls for Secondary Education		1.00		1.00	1.00		1.00	1.00		1.00
	(SUCCESS)	3601 3602	42.50 1.50		42.50 1.50	29.50 1.00		29.50 1.00	42.50 1.50		42.50 1.50
		Total	45.00		45.00	31.50		31.50	45.00		45.00
25.	Scheme for Construction and Running of Girls Hostels for	d									
	Students of Secondary & Highe		4.50		4.50	0.01		0.01	1.00		1.00
	Secondary Schools	3601	49.00		49.00	71.49		71.49	88.99		88.99
		3602 <i>Total</i>	0.50 54.00		0.50 54.00	0.50 72.00		0.50 72.00	0.01 90.00		0.01 90.00
26.	Appointment of Language Teacher		0.01		0.01	0.01		0.01	0.01		0.01
		3601	14.38		14.38	14.38		14.38	13.48		13.48
		3602	0.01		0.01	0.01		0.01	0.01		0.01
27.	National Means-cum Meri	<i>Total</i> it	14.40		14.40	14.40		14.40	13.50		13.50
	Scholarship Scheme	2202				3.00		3.00	81.45		81.45
		6202	750.00		750.00	250.00		250.00			
~~		Total	750.00		750.00	253.00		253.00	81.45		81.45
	Other Programmes al-Secondary Education	2202	1.00 1184.07	2.60 2286.13	3.60 6470.20	0.50 2845.50	1.98 2595.36	2.48	1.00	3.08 2164.60	4.08 6372 <i>.04</i>
	It Education		4104.01	2200.15	0470.20	2040.00	2000.00	0440.00	4207.44	2104.00	0012.04
29.	Adult Education & Skill										
30.	Development Scheme Support to NGOs/Institutions/SRC for Adult. Education & Skill	2202 s	283.50		283.50	313.50		313.50	1050.10		1050.10
	Development	2202	109.42		109.42	79.42		79.42	108.90		108.90
31.	Directorate of Adult Education	2202	10.80	3.18	13.98	10.80	3.11	13.91	9.00	2.80	11.80
32.	National Literacy Mission Authorit	y 2202 2251	2.18 	0.07	2.25	2.18	0.06	2.24 	2.00	0.07	2.07
		Total	2.18	0.07	2.25	2.18	0.06	2.24	2.00	0.07	2.07
	Other Programmes	2202		0.58	0.58		0.57	0.57		0.61	0.61
i Ota	al - Adult Education		405.90	3.83	409.73	405.90	3.74	409.64	1170.00	3.48	1173.48

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	Bu	Budget 2009-2010		Revised 2009-2010			Budget 2010-2011		
Major Head		Non-Pla	n Total	Plan	Non-Plan	Total	Plan	Non-Plan	Total
34. Provision for Projects/Schemes for									
the Benefit of NE Areas and Sikkim									
Elementary Education									
34.1 Strengthning of Teachers Training									
Institutions 25	52 50.0	0	50.00	33.20	)	33.20	50.00		50.00
34.2 National Bal Bhawan, New Delhi 25			0.70				1.43		1.43
34.3 National Programme of Mid Day									
Meals in Schools 25	800.0	0	800.00	736.37	·	736.37	944.00		944.00
34.4 Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan 25	1166.0	8	1166.08	1166.08		1166.08	1397.90		1397.90
34.5.The Scheme for Providing Quality									
Education in Madrassas (SPQEM) 25	52 5.0	0	5.00	5.00	)	5.00	5.00		5.00
34.6.The Scheme for Infrastructure									
Development in Minority									
Institutions (IDMI) 25	52 0.5	0	0.50	0.50	)	0.50	1.08		1.08
Total - Elementary Education	2022.2	8	2022.28	1941.15	5	1941.15	2399.41		2399.41
Secondary Education									
34.7 National Council of Educational									
Research & Training 25	52 4.0	0	4.00	3.00	)	3.00	4.00		4.00
34.8 Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan 25	52 30.0	0	30.00	34.00	)	34.00	35.00		35.00
34.9 Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti 25	52 130.0	0	130.00	130.00	)	130.00	138.50		138.50
34.10. Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha									
Abhiyan (RMSA) 25	52 210.5	2	210.52	72.75	5	72.75	172.46		172.46
34.11. Scheme for Setting up of 6000									
Model Schools at Block Level as									
Bench Mark of Excellence 25	52 37.1	0	37.10	37.10	)	37.10	42.50		42.50
34.12 Information & Communication									
Technology in Schools 25	52 30.0	0	30.00	20.00	)	20.00	40.00		40.00
34.13. Inclusive Education for the									
Disabled at Secondary									
School (IEDSS) 25	52 7.0	0	7.00	6.00	)	6.00	7.00		7.00
34.14 Access and Equity 25	52						0.05		0.05
34.15 Vocationalisation of Education 25	52 3.7	0	3.70	0.10	)	0.10	2.50		2.50
34.16 National Scheme for Incentive to									
Girls for Secondary Education									
(SUCCESS) 25	52 5.0	0	5.00	3.50	)	3.50	5.00		5.00
34.17. Scheme for Construction and									
Running of Girls Hostels									
for Students of Secondary & Higher									
Secondary Schools 25	6.0	0	6.00	8.00	)	8.00	10.00		10.00
34.18. Appointment of Language									
Teachers 25	52 1.6	0	1.60	1.60	)	1.60	1.50		1.50
34.19. National Means-cum Merit									
Scholarship Scheme 25	52						9.05		9.05
Total-Secondary Education	464.9		464.92	316.05	5	316.05	467.56		467.56
Adult Education									
34.20. Adult Education & Skill									
Development Scheme 25	52 31.5	0	31.50	31.50	)	31.50	116.90		116.90
34.21. Support to NGOs/Institutions/									
SRCs for Adult. Education & Skill		~	40.4-						40.10
Development 25			12.16	12.16		12.16	12.10		12.10
34.22. Directorate of Adult Education 25				1.20		1.20	1.00		1.00
34.23. National Literacy Mission Authority 25			0.24	0.24		0.24			
Total-Adult Education	45.1		45.10	45.10		45.10			130.00
Total of NER Provision	2532.3	0	2532.30	2302.30		2302.30	2996.97		2996.97
Grand Total	26800.0	0 2299.21	29099.21	22729.00	2609.00	25338.00	31036.00	2178.00	33214.00
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\* It includes Rs. 41.40 Crores as EAP Component \*\* It includes Rs. 1025.00 Crores as EAP Component

C. Plan Outlay	Head of Dev	Budget Support	IEBR Total	Budget Support	IEBR	Total	Budget Support	IEBR	Total
Central Plan									
1. General Education	22202	24267.70	24267.70	20426.70		20426.70	28039.03		28039.03
2. Secretariat-Social Services	22251								
3. North Eastern Areas	22552	2532.30	2532.30	2302.30		2302.30	2996.97		2996.97
Total -Central Plan		26800.00	26800.00	22729.00		22729.00	31036.00		31036.00

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(In crores of Rupees)

### 1. Secretariat : Provides for Secretariat expenditure.

2. Strengthening of Teachers Training Institutions: - A Centrally-Sponsored Scheme of Restructuring and Reorganization of Teacher Education was launched in 1987 to create a sound institutional infrastructure for pre-service and inservice training of elementary & secondary school teachers and for provision of academic resource support to elementary and secondary schools.

Central assistance is extended to States/UTs for Civil works, purchase of Equipment, Pay and allowances, training and research programmes etc.

The Scheme is being evaluated and till such evaluation the scheme is being continued without any change in the existing norms and parameters of the scheme.

3. Mahila Samakhya Programme: The Mahila Samakhya Scheme was started in pursuance of the objectives enshrined in the National Policy on Education (NPE), 1986 to initiate a programme for the education and empowerment of women in rural areas, particularly those from socially and economically marginalized groups. The scheme is currently being implemented in eleven States viz. Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Kerala, Gujarat, Uttar Pradesh, Uttaranchal, Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh.

4. National Bal Bhawan, New Delhi: National Bal Bhawan (NBB), New Delhi, established by the Government of India in 1956 at the initiative of India s First Prime Minister Pt. Jawahar Lal Nehru, is an autonomous body fully financed by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Department of School Education & Literacy. National Bal Bhawan has been contributing towards achieving creativity amongst children in the age group of 5 -16 years, especially those from weaker sections of the society.

6. National Programme of Mid-Day Meals in Schools: With a view to enhancing enrolment, retention and attendance and simultaneously improving nutritional levels among children, the National Programme of Nutritional Support to Primary Education was launched as a centrally sponsored scheme on 15<sup>th</sup> August 1995, initially in 2408 Blocks in the country. Gradually, it has been expanded to cover children at primary level in all Blocks in the country. In October 2007 the scheme was further revised to cover children in upper primary level (Classes VI to VIII) in 3479 educationally backward blocks. From 2008-09 onwards the programme is extended to all children upto upper primary level (from Class I to VIII) in all areas across the country.

**7. Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA)**: Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) is a flagship programme of Government of India being implemented in partnership with the States/UT Governments for universalisation of elementary education in the country. The SSA covers all districts in the country in order to ensure access, retention and quality improvement in elementary education. The sharing of expenditure between the Center and the States during the 10<sup>th</sup> Plan was on 75:25 basis. For XI Plan period the funding pattern has been revised as: 65:35 for the first two years of Plan, 60:40 for the third year, 55:45 for the fourth year and 50:50 thereafter. In respect of 8 North-Eastern States, the funding pattern is 90:10 with the central share resourced from the 10% earmarked funds for the NE Region from the SSAs Central Budget.

Two additional components focusing on girl children in educationally backward blocks to promote gender parity are: (i) National Programme for Education of Girls at Elementary Level (NPEGEL); and (ii) Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya (KGBV). The KGBV, which was a separate scheme, has since been merged with SSA from 2007-08 onwards. **9. Prarambhik Shiksha Kosh:** After Prarambhik Shiksha Kosh (PSK) was established with effect from 14.11.2005 as a dedicated non-lapsable fund to receive the proceeds of the Education Cess. The accounting modalities/procedure for operation of PSK has been agreed to by the Office of the Comptroller & Auditor General of India. Notification/Resolution dated 30<sup>th</sup> August, 2006 regarding setting up of PSK has been published in the Gazette of India."

# 11. The Schemes for Providing Quality Education in Madrassa (SPQEM)

The scheme seeks to bring about quality improvement in Madrassa to enable Muslim children to attain standards of the National Education System in formal Education Subject.

## 12. The Scheme for Infrastructure Development in Minority Institutions (IDMI)

Area Intensive and Madrassa Modernization programme has been revised as the scheme for Infrastructure Development in Minority Institutions (IDMI) with effect from December 2008. The scheme would facilitate education of minorities by augmenting and strengthening school infrastructure in Minority Institutions in order to expand facilities to children of minority communities.

13. National Council of Educational Research & Training (NCERT): National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) was set up in 1961 by the Government of India as an autonomous organization to advise and assist the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India and Departments of Education in States/UTs in formulation and implementation of their policies and major programmes including finalization of National Curriculum Framework (NCF) in the field of Education. From the year 2006-07, the scheme of Quality Improvement in Schools having the components of National Population Education Programme (NPEP), Environmental Orientation to Schools, Introduction to Yoga in Schools and International Science Olympiad have been transferred to NCERT for implementation.

**14. Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS):** Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan was set up in 1965, as a registered body, wholly financed by Government to establish, control and manage Kendriya Vidyalayas, the main objective of which is to meet the educational needs of the children of transferable Central Government employees.

**15.** Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti (NVS): In pursuance of National Policy on Education (NPE)- 1986 (as modified in 1992) on setting up of pace setting residential schools where good quality education could be imparted to the talented children from rural areas, a Central Scheme was launched by the Government of India in 1986 to set up Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas (JNVs) in each district of the country. These JNVs are run by an autonomous organization, the Navodaya Vidyalayas Samiti (NVS) established in 1986 under Registration of Societies Act, 1860. At present there 561 Navodaya Vidyalayas are operating.

**16. Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksya Abhiyan (RMSA):** As a follow-up to the implementation of the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) leading to a massive increase in the number of students completing upper primary level, it has been felt necessary to meet the increased demand for access to Secondary Education. Accordingly, a new scheme, Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksya Abhiyan (RMSA) was launched in March, 2009. Implementation of the scheme has been commenced in 2009-10.

**17.** Scheme for setting up of 6000 Model Schools at Block level as Bench Mark of Excellence : Honble Prime Minister in his Independence Day speech on 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2007 had, inter-alia, announced setting up of 6000 new High Quality Schools at the rate of one school per block. First phase of the

programme to set up 2,500 schools in educationally backward blocks under the management of State Governments was launched in November, 2008. Implementation of the scheme has commenced in 2009-10.

Information and Communication Technology in 18. Schools (ICT in Schools): A Centrally Sponsored Scheme namely Information and Communication Technology in Schools (ICT) @ Schools was launched in 2006 by merging the existing Schemes of Computer Literacy and Studies in Schools (CLASS) and Educational Technology (ET) with a view to promote computer aided learning in the Government & Government aided Secondary & Higher Secondary Schools with particular emphasis on rural sector to bridge the digital divide between the rural & urban areas. Under the ICT scheme Central assistance is 75%. The balance 25% of funds are contributed by the State Governments/UTs or funds from the MPLAD scheme in addition or as an alternative to State Government contribution. Assistance is provided to special category States namely North Eastern states, Jammu & Kashmir, Uttarakhand and Himachal Pradesh in the ratio of 90:10. The scheme has been revised with the approval of CCEA on 9th January,2010. Guidelines of the revised scheme are under formulation.

**19.** Inclusive Education for Disabled at Secondary Schools (IEDSS): A new scheme of Inclusive Education for Disabled at Secondary Stage (IEDSS) is being implemented from April, 2009 for assisting inclusive education of disabled children in classes IX-XII. Assistance for all items covered in the scheme will be on 100% basis. State Governments are also required to provide top up of Rs.600 per annum for each child.

20. National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS): The National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS), earlier called National Open School (NOS) was established in 1989. Main objective of NIOS is to provide distance education through its academic, life enrichment and vocational courses and programmes from primary to pre-degree level. It provides education through an open learning system at school stage as an alternative to the formal system.

**21.** Access & Equity: The scheme has been wound up. The provision has been kept for residual payments.

#### 22. Central Tibetan Schools Society Administration:

Central Tibetan Schools Society Administration (CTSA) was established as an Autonomous organization in the year 1961. The main objective of the CTSA is to provide free education to the children of Tibetan refugees scattered in different remote areas in our country. CTSA has 79 schools.

**23.** Vocationalisation of education: As envisaged in the National Education Policy, 1986 the Vocationalisation of secondary education provides for diversification of educational opportunities so as to enhance individual employability, reduce the mismatch between demand and supply of skilled manpower to provide an alternative for those pursuing higher education. Under the Scheme job oriented courses at + 2 level are being provided in the areas of Agriculture, Business & Commerce Engineering and technology, Home Science, Health and Paramedical, Social Sciences, Humanities etc. The Scheme is under revision.

24. National Scheme for Incentive to the Girl Child for Secondary Education: Pursuant to the announcement made by the Finance Minister while presenting the budget for 2006-07, a scheme for providing incentives to girls pursuing Secondary

Education has been launched. The objective of the Scheme is to establish an enabling environment to reduce the drop-outs and to promote the enrolment of girl child belonging to SC/ST communities in secondary schools and ensure their retention.

25. Scheme for construction and running of Girls Hostels for students of Secondary and Higher Secondary Schools: A new scheme has been launched for creation of girls hostel facilities for secondary level students. Under the proposed scheme, one girls hostel is to be established in each educationally backward block (about 3500 in all). The hostels will be located in KGBVs wherever feasible and these will be upgraded as residential secondary schools based on their viability.

26. Appointment of Language Teachers: The Assistance under the scheme is given for appointment of Hindi Teachers in schools in non-Hindi speaking States, Urdu Teachers in Blocks or Districts that have a significant educationally backward minority population and Modern Indian Language Teachers to teach a third language in those schools of Hindi speaking States/ UTs that demand them.

27. National Means cum Merit Scholarship Scheme: Pursuant to the announcement made by the Finance Minister while presenting the budget for 2007-08, Centrally Sponsored Scheme called National Means-cum-Merit Scholarship Scheme was launched in 2008-09. Scholarship of Rs.6000/- per annum (Rs.500/- per month ) per student will be awarded to the selected students each year for study in classes IX to XII. The objective of the scheme is to award scholarships to meritorious students of economically weaker sections to arrest their drop-out at class VIII and encourage them to continue in the secondary stage i.e. is upto class XII.

**28. Other Programmes:** These include provision for (a) support to the Joint Indo-Mongolia School at Ulaanbaatar, and (b) National Awards to Teachers.

**29.** Adult Education & Skill Development Scheme: The existing schemes of Literacy Campaigns & Operation Restoration and Continuing Education for Neo- Literates have been merged into one single scheme of Adult Education & Skill Development and now known as Saakshar Bharat programme that will cover both the existing schemes. The programme is to be implemented in a Mission Mode.

**30.** Support to NGOs/ Institutions/ SRCs for Adult Education & Skill Development: Under the scheme, financial support will be provided to NGOs for imparting literacy to adult non-literates in the age group of 15-35 years. The State Resource Centres (SRCs) managed by the NGOs also receive support under this programme.

**31. Directorate of Adult Education:** Directorate of Adult Education (DAE) has been functioning as the National Resource Center in the field of Adult Education. The Directorate was set up as subordinate office of the Department of Elementary Education & Literacy under the Ministry of Human Resource Development to provide academic and technical resource support to various government and non-government agencies implementing Adult Education Programme in the country. The DAE is fully funded by the Central Govt.

**32.** National Literacy Mission Authority (NLMA): National Literacy Mission Authority was set up in 1988 as an autonomous wing of the Department of School Education & Literacy for implementation of the programmes of the National Literacy Mission.