



MEGHALAYA LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

BUDGET SESSION

UNSTARRED

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Wednesday, the 18th March, 2009.

SSA Scheme

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Dr. DONKUPAR ROY

(Chief Minister in-charge, Elementary and Mass Education)

1. Will the Minister in-charge, Elementary and Mass Education be pleased to state :-

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| <p>(a) The amount sanctioned through SSA for provision of Text Books, Exercise books and other items for the current academic year?</p> | <p>(a) Amount sanctioned under SSA for Text Books and Exercise Books for the financial year 2008-09 is Rs.1050.59 lakhs. Teaching and Learning Equipments (TLC) are sanctioned to Schools concerned at the rate of Rs.10,000/- per new Primary Schools and at the rate of Rs.50,000/- per new Upper Primary Schools.</p> |
| <p>(b) The number of schools/students selected?</p> | <p>(b) (i) Number of L.P. Schools = 6618
(ii) Target number of LPS = 510900 students
(iii) Number of U.P. Schools = 2259
(iv) Target number of UPS = 193200 students</p> |
| <p>(c) Whether all the textbooks, Exercise books have been procured?</p> | <p>(c) Orders for procurement of Text Books have been placed with the publisher on 16.01.09. 70% supply has been made to the office of Deputy Inspector of Schools.</p> |

As regards, Exercise Books the case is now pending in Hon'ble High Court vide Writ Petition (C) 32 (SH) of 2009. Singhania Printing Press versus State of Meghalaya.

- (d) If so, whether they have been distributed to all the schools?
- (d) The process of distribution of Text Books to all the students is under way.
- (e) If not, the reason for the delay?
- (e) As there are large number of books to be distributed to the large number of schools located in the interior and difficult areas of the State, the distribution process would take sometime. However every effort is being made so as to complete all the process of distribution within the first week of April, 2009.