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**FILLING UP OF VACANCIES OF TEACHERS**New Delhi, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014

Since the inception of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), 19.84 lakh posts of teacher have been sanctioned to all States/UTs out of which 15.06 lakh teacher posts of teacher have been filled up. Progress on filling up of vacancies of teacher is regularly monitored by the Government of India in conjunction with State Governments.

The Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009 which became operative with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2010, prescribes the following Pupil-Teacher Ratio (PTR) to be maintained at each of the school:

**A. For classes I to V:**

- (i) Two teachers for up to sixty admitted children
- (ii) Three teachers for 61-90 children
- (iii) Four teachers for 91-120 children
- (iv) Five teachers for 121-200 children
- (v) One Head Teacher, other than the five teachers, if the number of admitted children exceeds 150; and
- (vi) The PTR (excluding Head Teacher) shall not exceed forty if the number of admitted children is above 200.

**B. For Classes VI to VIII:**

- (i) At least one teacher per class so that there shall be at least one teacher each for (a) Science and Mathematics; (b) Social Studies; and (c) Languages.
- (ii) At least one teacher for every 35 children;
- (iii) Where admission of children is above 100, there shall be (a) a full time head-teacher and (b) part time instructors for Art Education, Health & Physical Education and Work Education.

This information was given by the Union Human Resource Development Minister, Smt. Smriti Irani in a written reply to the Lok Sabha question.

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