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**FUNDING PATTERN OF SARVA SHIKSHA ABHIYAN**

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It has been decided that the funds sharing pattern of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) will be in the ratio of 60:40 between Centre and States (90:10 for the 8 North-Eastern States and 3 Himalayan States) with effect from the year 2015-16. The revision has been done in view of the higher devolution of funds to the States from 32% to 42% as recommended by the 14<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission.

Some State Governments namely Bihar, Odisha, Puducherry, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka and West Bengal had raised their concern about interim reduction of the central share of funding in the SSA from 65 per cent to 50 per cent, which has subsequently been rationalized to 60 per cent based on the report of the Sub-Group of Chief Ministers on Rationalization of Centrally Sponsored Schemes constituted by the National Institution for Transforming India (NITI) Aayog.

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

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