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(b) whether the NCW has also asked the States to issue instructions that no officer shall participate in or promote a function, where any child marriage or mass child marriage are organised;

(c) whether the Child Marriage Restraint Act is not being implemented; and

(d) if so, whether any concrete steps are being considered by Government to implement the Act seriously by the States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA): (a) and (b) As per information received from the National Commission for Women (NCW) it has organised a Bai Vivah Virodhi Abhiyan in six States where child marriage is more prevalent. NCW has requested the State Governments of Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Orissa, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh to issue instructions to all officers in the respective States that no one shall participate/attend or promote any function where any child marriage/mass child marriage are organised.

(c) and (d) The State Governments are invoking the provisions of Child Marriage Restraint Act to deal with the offence of child marriage. As per the statistical data compiled by the National Crime Records Bureau, Ministry of Home Affairs, 58 cases were registered in the country under the Child Marriage Restraint Act during the year 1999, 94 during 2000 and 63 during 2001 (upto available months).

False Universities

2579. SHRI B.J. PANDA:

SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY:

SHRI A. VIJAYA RAGHAVAN:

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

(a) Whether University Grants Commission has detected and declared some Universities in Delhi as "Fake Universities", as reported in the Indian Express on 27th June, 2002; if so, the details thereof;

(b) the types of courses run in these universities and whether the universities have issued the required certificates to the passing out students for seeking employment; and

(c) what would be the fate of students who had secured such certificates, if these certificates are considered invalid for employment and also of those who are undergoing the courses?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA): (a) to (c) As per the information received from the University Grants Commission (UGC), the UGC has identified 18 fake universities/institutions, including four in Delhi, which are operating in contravention of the UGC Act, 1956. A list of these universities/institutions is given in the Statement (See below).

According to the information available, Delhi Vishwavidyapith, Tagore Park, Delhi and Commercial University, Darya Ganj, Delhi, are unauthorisedly running courses like B.A, M.A., B.Ed. The degrees issued by the fake universities/institutions are not valid for academic and employment purposes.

To secure the career of students, the UGC, at the beginning of every academic session, issues a "Press Release" in important National Dailies warning the students not to pursue higher education courses with such self-style institutions.

Statement

List of Fake Universities/Institutions as on May, 2002

Bihar

1. Maithili University/Vishwavidyalaya, Dharbhanga, Bihar

Uttar Pradesh

2. Mahila Gram Vidyapith/Vishwavidyalaya (Women's University), Prayag, Allahabad (U.P.)
3. Varanaseya Sanskrit Vishwavidyalaya, Varanasi (U.P.)/Jagat Puri, Delhi
4. Indian Education Council of U.P., Lucknow (U.P.)
5. Gandhi Hindi Vidyapith, Prayag, Allahabad (U.P.)
6. National University of Electro Complex Homeopathy, Kanpur
7. Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose University (Open University) Achaltal, Aligarh (U.P.)

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8. Uttar Pradesh Vishwavidyalaya, Kosi Kalan, Mathura (U.P)
9. Maharana Pratap Shiksha Niketan Vishwavidyalaya, Pratapgarh, (U.P.)
10. Bhartiya Shiksha Parishad, Lucknow, (U.P.)

Tamil Nadu

11. D.D.B. Sanskrit University, Putur, Trichi, Tamil Nadu

Kerala

12. St. John's University, Kishanattam, Kerala

Maharashtra

13. Raja Arabic University, Nagpur

Madhya Pradesh

14. Kesarwani Vidyapith, Jabalpur (M.P.)

Delhi

15. Delhi Vishwa Vidyapeeth, 233, Tagore Park, Model Town, Delhi-110009
16. Commercial University Ltd., Darya Ganj, Delhi.
17. United Nations University, Delhi
18. Vocational University, Delhi

Primary Schools without infrastructure facilities

2580. SHRI DWIJENDRA NATH SHARMAH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of primary schools in the country, particularly in North-Eastern States, which are not having their own infrastructure, District-wise; State-wise;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the effective measures being taken by Government in this regard?