to all the Universities and Colleges as this policy has been extended to autonomous bodies in general.

Promotion cases of KVS Primary Teachers in Delhi

572. SHRI SURYABHAN PATIL VAHADANE: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOP-MENT be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 727 given in the Rajya Sabha on 4th December, 1998 and state:

- (a) whether the pending cases of promotions of KVS Primary Teachers of Delhi Region have been disposed off;
- (b) if so, the number of primary teachers protected in the Kendriya Vidyalayas of Gole Market, INA and SP Marg; and
- (c) if not, the number of such primary teachers in these Vidyalayas who are likely to be promoted?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) to (c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

NCW's Suggestion for amendments in laws relating to Women

573. SHRI S.M. KRISHNA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether his Ministry has expressed reservations/limitations on the amendments suggested Commission for Women in the laws concerning women; if so, what are the details thereof;
- (b) to what extent the suggestions of NCW were considered including exercise, if any, eliciting views of State Governments in that regard; and
- (c) when such suggestions were received by his Ministry and what is the

(b) and (c) The National Commission for Women (NCW), in its Annual Report for the year 1992-93, received in the Department of Women and Child Development during January, 1995 had recommended, inter-alia, the following amendments in the Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961 and the Commission of Sati (Prevention) Act, 1987;

Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961:

Provisions relating to the criminal offences in this Act be transported to the Indian Penal Code and Code of Criminal Procedure; persons giving dowry may be exempted from liability of punishment; persons engaged in negotiations for dowry be made liable for punishment and the offence made cognizable; and penaltics for the offences may be enhanced.

The Commission of Sati (Prevention Act. 1987:

The offence of Sati murder and its glorification should be included in the Indian Penal Code, Code of Criminal Procedure and the Indian Evidence Act.

Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1986:

In the month of July, 1998, the NCW had suggested the amendments in the Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1986, which include that the definition of 'Child' may be redrafted with reference to a child who has not attained the age of 18 years; the definition of 'Protection Home' should be amended to exclude only 'correction institutions'; the police officers appointed to deal with offences under the Act should be a female police officer of higher rank and compensation for injuries caused in prostitution should be enlarged to provide for the nature of damages, quantum etc.

Indecent Representation of Women (Prevention) Act, 1986:

During January, 1998 the NCW had made the recommendations with regard to changes in the Indecent Representation of Women (Prohibition) Act, 1986, which include that the