

(d) whether Government propose to invite the participation of Non-Government Organisations to implement the above said mission by taking concrete measures at block level?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) to (c) No, Sir. All the 19 districts of Gujarat have completed Total Literacy Campaigns and entered Post Literacy phase. As per external evaluation of the campaigns, the achievement level of learners varies from 58% to 99*%.

(d) Prior to sanction of Literacy Campaigns to the Zilla Saksharata Samities headed by District Collector, literacy projects were sanctioned to Non Governmental Organisations. (NGOs). After formation of Zilla Saksharata Samities in the districts, the NGOs are encouraged to participate in the Literacy Campaigns through these Samities.

Corruption in KVS

383. SHRI GOVINDRAM MIRI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Departmental Standing Committee related to the Ministry, had, in one of its reports on KVS, held in 1996-97 that there was widespread corruption in KVS as evident from transaction of purchasing obsolete computers resulting in huge losses;

(b) if so, the action taken in this regard by Government till date;

(c) if no, action has been taken, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the justification of such a callous stance?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI

MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The configuration of hardware, the rates of the computer system and identification of agencies was done by National Informatics Centre, a Government of India undertaking. The Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan placed the orders for supply of the computers to the identified agencies based on the scheme circulated by Government of India.

Amount spent on Navodaya and Kendriya Vidyalayas in Bihar

384. SHRI JANARDAN YADAV: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the amount sanctioned and released by Government to each of the Navodaya and Kendriya Vidyalayas located in Bihar, during the last two years;

(b) the amount spent on each Vidyalaya in Bihar by Government; and

(c) the effective steps Government propose to take to ensure proper utilisation of the aforesaid amount?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) Grants are released by the Government to the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan and Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti and not to individual Vidyalayas. Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan/Navodaya Vidyalayas Samiti depending on the comparative need of the Vidyalayas concerned, incur the necessary expenditure.

(b) The amount sanctioned and released by Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti to each Vidyalaya in Bihar is given in the statement. (See below) Based on the accounts of Patna Region, the average amount spent on each Kendriya Vidyalaya in Bihar during 1995-96 and 1996-97 was Rs. 34.23 lakhs and 33.80 lakhs per annum respectively