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Statement II

Eligibility conditions for the award of Jawaharlal Nehru Scholarships for Doctoral Studies

- (1) Candidates applying for scholarships should hold a first class post-graduate degree in the relevant subject. Academic attaintments being equal, weightage will be given to the creative or innovative ability, overall personality, maturity, artistic talent and general awareness of current events.
- (2) Candidates should not be above 35 years of age on 1st October of the year of selection.
- (3) Scholarships to Indian students selected for doing field work in another Asian country will be available only to persons who have been ordinarily resident in India for atleast 5 years preceding 1st October of the year of selection.
- (4) Candidates wishing to study for doctorate degree will make arrangements themselves for admission/registration in an institution and as such only those candidates, who submit proof of having obtained admission/registration to the satisfaction of the Fund, will be considered for the award of scholarships.
- (5) The scholarships will be tenable for studies only in the institutions approved by the Government.
- (6) The scholarships to candidates of other Asian countries for study in India will be awarded to those who are already in India and, on completion of their post-graduate degrees, wish to pursue doctoral studies. However, if someone having obtained a Master's degree from an Asian country joins Ph.D. in India travelling to the place of study at his own cost, he'she will also be eligible for scholarship.

Legislation for providing reservations in Private Sector

- 1217. SHRI V.P. DURAISAMY: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government will bring a legislation, making it mandatory for the private sector units to provide reservation to SCST candidates in employment;
- (b) whether Government forsees any problem in doing so; and
- (c) will the Government instruct at least such private sector units, which are borrowing money heavily from Government banks and financial institutions to abide by the reservation policy?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) to (c) The question of providing reservation in Private Sector to all Backward Classes including SCs and STs is being examined.

Expenditure on Education

1218. DR. BAPU KALDATE: SHRI PARAG CHALIHA: SHRI SOM PAL:

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

- (a) the total expenditure on education in term of G.N.P.;
- (b) the internationally acceptable level of G.N.P. for spending on education;
- (c) the reasons for which real social sector spending has fallen in India during the past few years of fiscal restructuring; and
- (d) the manner in which India propose to achieve goal for spending 6% of G.N.P. on education?

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