

RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal to set-up a National Commission for the youths;

(b) if so, the main objectives of setting up of such a Commission;

(c) whether its branches would be setup at the State level also; and

(d) the details of the steps taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Does not arise.

Opening of Navodaya Vidyalayas

2027. SHRI VAYALAR RAVI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Navoday Vidyalayas in the country are attracting more students;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to set-up more Navodaya Vidyalayas in the backward areas of different States; and

(c) the details of the requests received from different States in regard thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHD RAM SAIKIA): (a) yes, Sir.

(b) The Scheme of Navodaya vidyalay as envisages opening of one Navodaya Vidyalaya, on as average, in each district of the country.

(c) Details of requests received for opening of Navodaya Vidyalayas from different State Governments are given in the statement annexed.

Statement

Details of Requests Received for Opening of Navodaya Vidyalayas from State Govern-ments/UT Administrations.

Sl. No.	Name of States/UTs.	No of Proposals received
1.	Assam	07
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	02
3.	Bihar	07
4.	Himachal Pradesh	02
5.	Kerala	01
6.	Nagaland	03
7.	Punjab	01
8-	Rajasthan	03
9.	Sikkim	01
10.	Uttar Pradesh	16
11.	Orissa	02