

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPTT. OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH):(a) No Sir. The DMS procures skimmed milk powder from both State Dairy Federations and private agencies. The purchase

Pathetic condition of Educational Programmes

3229. SHRI K.M. KHAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether certain programmes of universalisation of elementary education like adult literacy, operation blackboard and non-formal education, etc. are in a pathetic state;

(b) whether this fact was circulated at the recently concluded State Education Ministers Conference;

(c) whether Government propose to take some remedial measures to strengthen and improve these key programmes to achieve its goal of universalisation; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not the reasons therefor?

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

(b) No. Sir.

(c) and (d) The Programmes of Adult Education, Non-Formal Education and Operation Blackboard are programmes, operating across the country. As such, these are areas where slippages in the programmes have been observed. However, all these programmes are regularly monitored and reviewed at District, State and Central levels so that remedial measures are initiated.

Shifting of IGNOU Regional Office

3230. SHRI RAM NATH KOVIND: DR. RANBIR SINGH:

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

(a) whether the regional office of Indira Gandhi National Open University located at Chanakyapuri in New Delhi is proposed to be shifted to Tughlakabad area of New Delhi;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether this office was centrally located and was quite convenient to people coming from different parts of Delhi;

(d) whether the proposed shifting will make the people to travel a long distance thus defeating the motto of Government save diesel as much as you can;

(e) whether Government propose to cancel the shifting orders; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not, from private agencies is made by inviting quotations through open tenders, thereby ensuring competitive rates for the purchase.

(b) to (d) Do not arise. the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPTT. OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) to (f) According to the information furnished by the Indira Gandhi National open University, the Delhi Regional Centre has to be shifted to Tughlakabad, as the Viswa Yuvak Kendra in Chanakyapuri the owner of the premises is unwilling to extend the lease agreement further. As the Regional Centre caters to 20 Study Centres, many of them being nearer Tughlakabad than Chanakyapuri, it cannot be said that such a shifting would be generally inconvenient. Further, the primary contact of the students is to be with their Study Centres, and hence location of the Regional Centre is not of primary concern to them.