

(b) whether it is a fact that these posts are lying vacant since 1983-84;

(c) if so, why these posts are lying vacant since such a long period;

(d) whether there is any proposal to fill these posts on ad hoc basis; and

(e) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPTT. OF EDUCATION & DEPTT. OF CULTURE (KUMARI SELJA): (a) to (c) Nineteen posts of various categories are vacant for varying periods. The process of recruitment against 13 posts is at different stages. 2 posts have been held in abeyance and recruitment rules are being amended for 4 posts.

(d) and (e) Except one post for which the Hon'ble Tribunal has given directions, no other post is being filled on ad hoc basis:

Technical posts lying vacant in bureau for promotion of Urdu

6097. SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL alias MEEM AFZAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) how many times since 1984 to 1993 meeting of DPC has been held to consider the promotion of Technical staff in Bureau for Promotion of Urdu;

(b) whether it is a fact that out of 11 posts of Research Assistants how many persons are working in the Bureau and how many posts are lying vacant;

(c) if so, why these posts are lying vacant and since when;

(d) whether it is a fact that there is 100 per cent Promotion from the post of Research Assistant to the post of Research Officer; and

(e) if so, what are the reasons for not promoting Research Assistants to the post of Research Officers?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPTT. OF EDUCATION & DEPTT. OF CULTURE (KUMARI SELJA): (a) Meeting of DPC has been held five times during this period to consider promotion of various categories.

(b) and (c) Six posts are filled and five posts are lying vacant for varying periods. Action has been initiated for filling up two posts. Recruitment Rules for the other two posts are being amended. The remaining one post is lying vacant as its incumbent is presently on deputation.

(d) Hundred per cent by promotion failing which by direct recruitment.

(e) Only one post of Research Officer is lying vacant due to non availability of the reserved category candidate.

National fund for child care services

6098. SHRIMATI ILA PANDA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry has decided to set-up a National Fund for child care services;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government propose to give preference to tribal children of the backward districts?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT) (SMT. BASAVA RAJESWARI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The National Creche Fund has been set up with a Corpus Fund of Rs. 19.90 crores during the year 1993-94.