

Direct Flight fom Gulf countries to
Trivandrum

*41. SHRINEBALARAM SHRIM. M. JACOB:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION
be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that National
Airport Authority has agreed to hand over
Trivandrum Aiport to International Airport
Authority of India; il so, by when it is likely
to be handed over; and

(b) whether Government have received
any requests from any airline of Gulf
countires to opeate direct flights to Tri-
vandrum; if so, what action has been taken
thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI
HARMOHAN DHAWAN): (a) Government
have declacd Trivandrum airport to be an
international airport with effect from 1
January, 1991 under the International
Airports Authority Act, 1971.

(b) Yes, Sir. The Government of the
Sultanate of Oman has requested Gulf Air
operation to Trivandrum. Talks are scheduled
with the Government of Oman in this regard
in the last week of January, 1991.

Review of the New Education Policy

*42. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:
SHRI ATAL BIHARI
VAJPAYEE:

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

(a) when was a decision taken to review
the new Education Policy and what are the
reasons therefor;

tThe sitting of the Rajya Sabha on
Monday, the 31st December, 1990 was
concluded. Answers to questions put down in
the lists of that day were laid on the Table of
the House on Wednesday The 2nd January,
1991.

(b) whether modalities have been de
vised for reviewing the same; and

(c) what pogress has so far been made
in this regard?

THE MINISTEK OF HUMAN RE
SOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI
RAJMANGAL PANDE): (a) and (b).
On 7-5-90, the Government set up a
Committee to review the National Policy
on Education, 1986. A copy of the
Government Resolution which contains
necessary details in this regard is attach
ed. *See below*).

(c) The Committee has submitted its report
on 26-12-1990.

RESOLUTION

Subject: Appointment of a Committee to
review the National Policy on
Education, 1986.

Despite efforts at social and economic
development since attainment of Indepen-
dence, a majority of our people continue to
remain deorived of education, which is one of
the basic needs for human development. It is
also a matter of grave concern that our people
comprise 50 per cent of the world's illiterate,
and large sections of children have to go
without acceotable level of primary education.
Government accords the highest priority to
duoation—both as a human right and as the
means for bringing, about a transformation
towards a more a humane and enlightened
society. There is need to make education an
effective instrument for securing a status of
equality for women, and persons belonging to
the backward classes and minorities.
Moreover, it is essential to give a work and
employment orientation to education and to
exclude from it the elitist aberrations which
have become the glaring characteristic of the
educational scene. Educational institutions are
increasingly being influenced by casteism,
communalism and obscurantism and it is
necessary to lay special emphasis on struggle
against this phenomenon and to move towards
a genuinely egalitarian and secular social
order. The National Policy on Education,
1986(NPE), needs to be reviewed to

evolve a framework which would enable the country to move towards this perspective of education.

2. Government have, therefore, decided to set up NPB Review Committee with the following composition:

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- I. Khodigram, District Mungher
 2. Prof. C. N. R. Rao, Director,
Indian Institute of Science,
Bangalore.
 3. Dr. Sukhdev Singh
Formerly Vice Chancellor,
Punjab and MP Agricultural Universities.
 4. Formerly Vice Chancellor,
Madras University.
 5. Tata Institute of Fundamental Research,
Bombay.
 6. Dr. Bhaskar Rao Chaudhary
Vice Chancellor, Calcutta
University, Calcutta.
 7. Shri M. G. Bhativadekar,
Formerly Principal, 5
Maharaja College, Jaipur
 8. Professor Usha Mehta, Political
Scientist and Teacher, Bombay.
 9. Professor Sachhidanand Murthy
Sangam Jagariamudi, Guntur.
 10. Kishore Bharati,
Hoshangabad.
 11. Father T. V. Kunnunkal,
Chairman,
National Open School,
New Delhi.
 12. Professor of Philosophy, North
Eastern Hill University, Shillong.
 13. Dr. Vidya Niwas Mishra,
Vice Chancellor, Kashi
Vidyapeeth, Varanasi.
 14. Shri S. Z. Quasim, -
Vice Chancellor,
Islamia Millia Islamia,
New Delhi.
 15. Shri Veda Vyasa,
Chairman,
D. A. V. College Management Committee,
New Delhi.
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16. Shri Manubhai Pancholi, Member
Lok Bharati Sanosara,
District Bhavnagar.
17. Shri S. Gopalan, Member Secretary
Additional Secretary,
Ministry of Human Resource Development,
Department of Education, New Delhi.

3. The terms of reference of the Committee will be as follows:

- (a) to review the National Policy on Education, 1986 and its implementation;
- (b) to make recommendations regarding revision of the Policy; and
- (c) to recommend action necessary for implementation of the revised Policy within a time-frame.

4. The committee will devise its own procedure of work and submit its report as soon as possible, but not later than six months from the date of issue of the order. It may submit interim reports as may be considered appropriate.

SdA (S. P. Tuli)

Joint Secretary to the
Government of India.

Order:

Ordered that a copy of the Resolution be published in the Gazette of India for general information.

Also ordered that a copy of the Resolution be forwarded to all the Ministries/Departments of the Government of India, all State Governments/Union Territory Administration, Universities, Institutions/Organisations of the Department of Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development, etc. for information.

So/-(S. P. Tuli)

Joint Secretary to the
Government of India.

To

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**Non-filling of the vacancies of
teaching and non-teaching staff reserved for
SC/Sin the Kendriya Vidyalayas**

*43. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR:

SHRIMATI BIJOYA
CHAKRAVARTY:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that despite repeated efforts current and backlog vacancies of both teaching and nonteaching staff reserved for SC/ST categories have not been filled up in the offices of the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan and the Vidyalayas;

(b) if so, what are the details of such vacancies filled up during the preceding and current academic session and those still remaining unfilled both promotional and direct; and

(c) the reasons for not filling the reserved vacancies?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI RAJ-MANGAL PANDE): (a) to (c). The backlog of vacancies in various categories could not be filled up as there is a shortage of SC/ST candidates who have the prescribed qualifications and are also interested in these posts. The details are as in the enclosed state. See Appendix CLVI, Annexure No. 18).