

**Review of Navodaya Vidyalaya programme**

142. PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of Navodaya Schools which have been set up during the last three years;

(b) what were the targets for their setting up during the same period;

(c) to what extent the objectives for which these schools were set up have been fulfilled during these three years;

(d) whether it is a fact that a review of the whole programme is underway; and

(e) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (PROF. M. G. K. MENON: (a) and (b) The targets for setting up of Navodaya Vidyalayas and the number of Vidyalayas actually opened during the last three years are as under:—

| Year              | Targets    | Number of Vidyalayas actually opened |
|-------------------|------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1986-87 . . . . . | 60 to 80   | 81                                   |
| 1987-88 . . . . . | 120 to 150 | 126                                  |
| 1988-89 . . . . . | 120 to 150 | 47                                   |

(c) No evaluation has been undertaken regarding the extent to which the objectives for which Navodaya Vidyalayas were set up have been fulfilled.

(d) As of now, no review is underway.

(e) Does not arise.

**Dropping the proposal to set up National Test Range at Baliapal**

143. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering a proposal to drop its earlier proposal to set up the National Test Range at Baliapal; and

(b) if so, the details and reasons therefor?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH): (a) and (b) The Government has received

representations regarding the National Test Range at Baliapal, and it is looking into them.

**Change of Constitution of Planning Commission**

144. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to change the constitution, the form and the functions of the Planning Commission; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Details have not been finalised.