

necessary facilities at the venue through an inspection to be held by a technical committee of the federation. Government hope that the federation would, in future, hold the national championships in a befitting manner.

(c) The Indian Hockey Federation has already looked into the matter and has taken serious note of the conduct of the national hockey championships by the Maharashtra Hockey Association and has also initiated remedial measures.

Setting up of Navodaya Schools in Tribal areas

583. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) how many Navodaya Schools established so far in the country have been located in areas which are predominantly inhabited by Tribal or Harijan;

(b) whether any guidelines and instructions have been issued to ensure that a reasonable number of Navodaya Schools may be located in such areas which are predominantly inhabited by Harijane and Adivasis; and

(c) if, so, what are the details of these instructions and how far they have been complied with?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (c). The State/UT Governments have been advised to propose location of Navodaya Vidyalaya with priority being given to educationally backward tribal areas. Navodaya Vidyalayas are opened on the basis of offers of suitable land [buildings in the district concerned. So far, 81 Navodaya Vidyalaya have been opened in 20 States/Union Territories Under the Navodaya Vidyalaya

Scheme, it is proposed to establish one Navodaya Vidyalaya in every district of the country during the Seventh Five Year Plan in a phased manner.

Roads in Madhya Pradesh

584. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the density of roads in Madhya Pradesh is far below the national average density of 21 kms. per 100 square kms;

(b) if so, what assistance will be provided to Madhya Pradesh to achieve the national average;

(c) whether it is also a fact that in accordance with the guidelines of the Union Government, the State Government had submitted a proposal for allotment of Rs. 669 crores in the Seventh five Year Plan, but only Rs. 281.39 crores were sanctioned by the Planning Commission; and

(d) whether Government are considering any proposal for increasing allocations under different heads so that the State comes at Par with the national average in terms of roads kilometrage?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) As on 31-3-1983, it is 25.26 Kms. per 100 sq. Kms. in Madhya Pradesh against the National average of 47.27 Kms. per 100 sq. Kms,

(b) to (d) The Central Government, is primarily concerned with the development of National Highways network only and "funds are being provided to the respective State Governments depending upon the requirements of States and availability of adequate resources for the purpose.

So far as State Roads network is concerned, the responsibility rests entirely on the State Governments