

(a) whether any State Government has raised objections to the provisions of Right to Education Act regarding funding of the expenditure for 25 per cent students admitted in private schools; and

(b) if so, the stand of Government in this matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Registration of students

4681. SHRI R.C. SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry is planning for compulsory registration of all Indian students going abroad for studies in place of the existing voluntary registration;

(b) whether it is also a fact that it has directed the Embassies of only United States and Australia for opening up of websites for fresh registration and also streamlining the unregistered students;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the reasons for not directing the Embassies in other countries where Indian students have gone for studies or work?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) Does not arise.

Assistance to NGOs

4682. SHRI SANJAY RAUT:

SHRI GOVINDRAO WAMANRAO ADIK:

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

(a) whether Government has fixed any criteria for providing assistance to Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs)/agencies engaged in welfare of women and children education in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether such funds are being provided in Maharashtra also for such NGOs; and

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

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) and (b) For education of children, an Innovative and Experimental (I&E) Programme at elementary level is under implementation to promote experimentation and innovation for achievement of goals spelt out in National Policy on

Education for Universalization of Elementary Education (UEE). Under this scheme, proposals are received from Government agencies, educational institutions, panchayati raj institutions, registered societies, public trust and non profit making companies and considered for grant of financial assistance. The funding is also made to the NGOs for their innovative projects.

(c) and (d) Under I&E Scheme, funds were provided in Maharashtra to Door Step School, Mumbai. The details of grants released to Door Step School, Mumbai during last three years are given as under:—

Name of NGO	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10
Door Step School, Mumbai	Rs. 16,99,294	Nil	Rs. 13,68,244

Global teacher accreditation and training workshops

4683. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether British Council and Cambridge Education Foundation, U.K. recently launched a new accreditation scheme to recognize teachers' achievements in global education in India;

(b) whether part of the U.K. Government funded Global School Partnerships programme, the global teacher accreditation will be available to teachers involved in managing school partnerships through the scheme;

(c) whether 60 teachers from across the country will benefit from training workshops to develop their school-based research skills to be held in Delhi, Mumbai and Chennai; and

(d) if so, by when the scheme is likely to be introduced?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) The accreditation scheme for teachers was launched in India in April, 2010 and is jointly delivered by the British Council (BC) and Cambridge Education Foundation (CEF) as part of Global School Partnerships programme with an aim to develop teachers as reflective practitioners and to recognise their contribution to enhancing global education in the classroom.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The programme was launched in April, 2010.

Discussions with Australia for agreement in education

4684. PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether he has held discussions with his counterpart and other leaders in Australia recently on educational links;