

Illegal occupation of Government land by schools

3950. SHRI KAMAL AKHTAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that some of the private schools recognized by his Ministry have illegally occupied Government land and constructed school buildings particularly in UP;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether he is also aware of the fact that Sunbeam School, Lahartara, Varanasi recognized by CBSE has also illegally occupied the land of Central Government and constructed its school building on encroached land;

(d) whether an enquiry would be initiated and faulty schools recognized by CBSE would be derecognized; and

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

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) and (b) Central Board of Secondary Education is not aware of such illegal occupation.

(c) As per the records available with CBSE, no such information has been brought to its notice.

(d) and (e) Do not arise.

Low enrolment in Government schools

3951. MS. SUSHILA TIRIYA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government schools in the cities are having low enrolment;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether in some schools the enrolment is less than 100 students; and

(d) if so, the steps taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) and (b) City-wise enrolment data for all schools (primary to senior secondary) is not being maintained.

(c) As per data collected under District Information System for Education (DISE) by National University of Education, Planning and Administration (NUEPA), about 6.5 lakh schools having elementary level classes, had 100 or less than 100 enrolment in 2008-09 in both rural and urban areas.

(d) The programmes such as Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), Mid-day Meal Scheme, etc. are being implemented uniformly in urban and rural areas.