THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI KAPIL SIBAL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The National Commission for Minority Educational Institutions (Amendment) Bill 2010, passed by Lok Sabha, to provide for *inter-alia*, increase in the number of Members from 2 to 3, has been introduced in Rajya Sabha.

Admissions against seats reserved for OBCs

1402. SHRI M.P ACHUTHAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that increased number of seats provided for 27 per cent reservation for OBCs for admissions to central educational institutions got transferred to general category for want of suitable candidates from backward classes;
- (b) if so, the number of seats provided under this category and transferred to general category later on in JNU, Delhi and Delhi University during the years 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11; and

(c) Government's reaction to this situation?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI KAPIL SIBAL): (a) to (c) The Government, in accordance with the direction of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the matter of IA No. 3 of 2008 in Writ Petition (Civil) No. 35 of 2007, has issued-instructions vide OM No. 1-1/2008-(III)-U.I(A) dated 17th October, 2008 to all the Central Educational Institutions (CEIs) to ensure that seats reserved for OBCs are filled by other eligible students only if they are vacant after admitting all eligible OBC students i.e. after excluding creamy layer as per OM No. 1-1/2008 - U.1(A) dated 13.10.2008. CEIs were also asked to ensure that maximum cut off marks of OBCs are not kept lower than 10% from the cut off marks for general category candidates as directed by the Hon'ble Court.

According to information provided by University Grants Commission (UGC), the details regarding no. of seats provided under OBC category and transferred to general category later on in Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), Delhi and Delhi University are as under:-

Name of Univ.				
	University of Delhi	Jawaharlal Nehru university		Year
	No. of seats provided under OBC category	No. of seats transferred to general category	No. of seats provided under OBC category	No. of seats transferred to general category
2008-09	4897 (925 for	Nil *	256	54
	Univ. Deptt and			
	3952 for Delhi colleges)			
2009-10	9778 (including	1722 (1580 for	410	75
	Delhi Colleges)	Delhi Colleges		
		and 142 seats		
		for Univ. Deptt.)		

2010-11 Since the process of admission is not complete yet in respect of year 2010-11, the required information for the same is not available.

Education through English medium in government schools

†1403. DR. PRABHA THAKUR:

SHRI NARENDRA BUDANIA:

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

- (a) whether there is increasing trend among common public to get their children educated through english medium, so that, in future their children could get jobs in any private or Government sector by having knowledge of this global language;
- (b) whether keeping in view the sentiments of the Public, Government has considered to provide facility of education through english medium to the students of Government schools on their demand, as is being provided in private english medium schools;
 - (c) whether Government found it necessary to consider it, if so, the details thereof; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

^{*} As admission for 2008-09 were over before the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India became available 2136 seats (361 for University Deptt. and 1775 for Delhi Colleges) remained unfilled and were not transferred to the general category.