Proposal for insurance and housing schemes for teachers

628. SHRI ISHWARLAL SHANKARLAL JAIN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has offered proposal to State Governments for providing Insurance and Group Housing Schemes for the teachers;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (c) what help Government will provide to the States for this scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (c) As a part of the welfare measure for the school teachers, this Ministry is in the process of conceptualizing an insurance scheme meant to cover life and health of the teachers, as well as a group housing scheme for teachers. The initial concepts were discussed in the meeting of the General Committee of the National Foundation for Teachers' Welfare (NFTW) which was held on 18th June, 2010 and which was attended by several State Education Ministers. The States are being consulted before finalizing the details of the scheme.

Revamping plan for education

629. MS. MABEL REBELLO:
DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

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

- (a) whether the Ministry has failed to implement his revamping plan on education reforms;
 - (b) if so, the reasons for not implementing revamping plan for education;
- (c) if so, to what extent reforms of education have been considered and whether implementation of compulsory education has not so far taken a final shape; and
 - (d) if so, the reasons and by what time education to all will be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (d) Educational reforms are a continuous process and Eleventh Five Year Plan seeks to carry them forward through expansion, inclusion and rapid improvement in quality through institutional and policy reforms and by enhancing public spending. There will be no Class X Board examination w.e.f. 2011 for students studying in CBSE's Senior Secondary Schools and who do not wish to move out of the CBSE system after Class X. The students studying in CBSE'S Secondary Schools will be required to appear in Board's external examination if they intend to leave the Secondary School after Class X. The Continuous and Comprehensive Evaluation has been strengthened in all CBSE affiliated schools w.e.f. October, 2009 in Class IX. The new Grading System has been introduced at Secondary School Level (for Class IX and X) effective from 2009-10 academic season. During various meetings with stakeholders, survey etc. the CBSE has received encouraging response.