

child, children of the weaker sections of society and the minorities is a matter of prime concern as also highlighted in the National Common Minimum Programme of the Government.

The Central Advisory Board of Education (CABE) has since been reconstituted by the Government. In pursuance of the decisions taken in the meeting of the reconstituted CABE on 10-11 August, 2004, seven CABE committees have been set up on the following issues:—

1. Free and Compulsory Education Bill and other issues related to Elementary Education
2. Girls Education and the Common School System
3. Universalisation of Secondary Education
4. Autonomy of Higher Education Institutions
5. Integration of Culture Education in the School Curriculum
6. Regulatory Mechanism for the Text Books and parallel text books taught in schools outside the Government
7. Financing of Higher and Technical Education

### **Kendriya and Navodaya Vidyalayas**

†4094. SHRI NAND KISHORE YADAV. Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Kendriya and Navodaya Vidyalayas proposed to be opened in Bihar and Uttar Pradesh during 2004-05;

(b) the number of such Vidyalayas Government are considering to open in 2005-06; and

(c) the details of the locations of such vidyalayas in both the States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (c) Kendriya Vidyalayas and Navodaya Vidyalayas are opened following the established procedure. Government's effort is to progressively increase the number of these schools. This is an ongoing process. During the year 2004-05, 12 Kendriya Vidyalayas were opened in Bihar and 03 in Uttar Pradesh.

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The list of locations where Kendriya Vidyalayas were opened in Bihar and Uttar Pradesh during 2004-05 is enclosed as Statement. (See below) No Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya was opened in Bihar and Uttar Pradesh during 2004-05.

**Statement**

*Kendriya Vidyalayas opened in Bihar and U.P. in 2004-05*

Sl. No.	Kendriya Vidyalayas in Bihar
1	Siwan
2	Nawada
3	Chhapra
4	Gopal Ganj
5	Darbhanga
6	Barauni
7	Raxaul
8	Madhepura
9	Purnia
10	Banka
11	No. 3, Patna
12	Arah
	<i>Kendriya Vidyalayas in Uttar Pradesh</i>
01.	Kannauj
02.	Moradabad No. 2
03.	Chandpur, Bijnore

**Opening of Muslim Universities**

†4095. DR. PRABHA THAKUR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the minority community particularly the Muslim community is very backward in the field of education;

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