- (b) whether it is a fact that in the case of one of the Ph.D. students, the Ministry had not responded inspite of letters from various Members of Parliament; and
- (c) the reasons for such inaction in the Ministry on such important aspect?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Delhi follows the Government of India policy dated 09.06.2008 relating to 15%, 71/2% and 27% reservation for SCs, STs and OBCs respectively for recruitment to the posts of Assistant Professors and Lecturers in Science and Technology subjects and in all faculty posts for subjects other than Science and Technology. Further, admissions in IITs, including IIT-Delhi, are made through the Joint Entrance Examinations (JEEs) where the reservation policy of 15%, 71/2% and 27% for SCs, STs and OBCs respectively is strictly followed.

(b) and (c) It is not correct to say that the Ministry has not responded to the letters received from the Members of Parliament (MPs) in the matter of one Ph.D. student of IIT-Delhi. Since August, 2010, the Ministry had received as many as ten letters from various MPs, including one from the Hon'ble Minister of Social Justice and Empowerment, relating to non-completion of Ph.D. by one Shri Prashant Bhosle in IIT-Delhi. While seven of these letters have been replied to, the remaining three are at various stages of response.

Quota of MPs for recommending admission in Kendriya Vidyalayas

†1474. SHRI JAI PRAKASH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is considering any proposal to increase the current quota of the Members of Parliament to recommend for admission in Kendriya Vidyalayas; and
- (b) if so, the level at which consideration is being made at present in respect of such proposal?

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

(b) Does not arise.

Setting up of Central University in Kasaragod

1475. PROF. P.J. KURIEN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.