## Written Answers to Starred

## **Details of surveys:-**

S1.	No. Name of the work	Status
1.	Manikgarh to Nanded via Adilabad - 59 km missing link from Gadchandur to Adilabad	Survey taken up.
2.	Manmad-Indore via Malegaon-Dhule-Shirpur	Survey completed.
3.	Pune-Miraj-Kolhapur	Survey completed.
4.	Pune-Nasik	Survey completed.
5.	Jalna-Khamgaon-Shegaon and Malkapur-Chikli	Survey completed.
6.	Kalyan-Nasik-Ahmednagar	Survey taken up.
7.	Kolhapur-Kankavali	Survey taken up.

## Enrolment of SC, ST and Muslim girls in KGBVs

\*157. SHRIMATI VASANTHI STANLEY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to State:

(a) whether any part of Tamil Nadu has been identified as Educationally Backward Block;

(b) the reasons for poor percentage of SC, ST and Muslim girls getting enrolled in Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBVs); and

(c) the steps being taken by the Ministry to improve enrolment rate among SC, ST and Muslim girls in KGBVs?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI KAPIL SIBAL): (a) 44 blocks in Tamil Nadu have been identified as Educationally Backward Blocks (EBBs).

(b) and (c) Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya (KGBV) provides for setting up residential schools at upper primary level for girls belonging predominantly to the SC, ST, OBC and minority communities in EBBs. In view of the targeted nature of the scheme a minimum of 75% seats are earmarked for girls from SC, ST, OBC and minority communities, and for the remaining 25% priority is accorded to girls from families below the poverty line. As on date 3600 KGBVs have been sanctioned across the country of which 3439 are operational and 3,35,227 girls are enrolled therein. 92% girls who are enrolled are from SC, ST, OBC and minority communities and 8% are from BPL category as per the following break-up: 32% of SC category, 23% of ST category.