

(b) if not, the reasons for not implementing the same for section of staff of the university;

(c) whether any measures have been taken by the Ministry to implement the same; and

(d) if so, the time by when the same would be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. SHASHI THAROOR): (a) Pursuant to the recommendations of the Sixth Central Pay Commission, the Ministry of Finance (Department of Expenditure) notified the Central Civil Services (Revised Pay) Rules, 2008 for the implementation of the recommendations of the commission. The Revised Pay Structures as indicated in the Section-I and II of Part-A of the first Schedule of the Central Civil Services (Revised Pay) Rules, 2008 have been implemented in respect of the non-teaching employees including the nursing staff of the Banaras Hindu University (BHU) *w.e.f.* 01.01.2006. As regards the revised pay scales mentioned in the part B of the first Schedule of the Central Civil Services (Revised Pay) Rules, 2008 for certain common categories of staff, which includes nursing staff, these pay scales have not been implemented.

(b) to (d) The UGC had constituted a Committee to examine and recommend the rationalisation of Cadre structure and the pay scales of various categories of employees of the Centrally funded institutions. The recommendations of the Committee are under examination and would be decided in consultation with the Ministry of Finance.

Role of State Governments in matters of universities

1327. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a clear law defining the role of State Governments in matter of universities;

(b) whether their role is to only give grants to universities and bear its sundry expenses and not raise questions about irregularities and malpractices; and

(c) if so, the response of the Ministry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. SHASHI THAROOR): (a) The Universities are established

either by Central legislation or by State legislation. The role of the appropriate Government is clearly defined in the Act governing the University. The State Universities established by the State Legislatures are under the control of the State Governments. In addition, the University Grants Commission (UGC) lays down, from time to time, the minimum standards concerning teaching, examination and research in universities.

(b) and (c) The grants are given to the State Universities by the State Governments and also by the UGC if they are covered under Section 2(f) and 12B of the UGC Act, 1956. The role of the State Government is not limited to grants giving alone and it can exercise powers of issuing policy directions and regulating the functioning of the State Universities subject to provisions of Acts and Statutes governing the universities and regulations issued by statutory regulatory authorities. The Central Government has introduced the Prohibition of Unfair Practices in Technical Educational Institutions, Medical Educational Institutions and Universities Bill, 2010 in order to prohibit certain unfair practices in technical educational institutions, medical educational institutions and universities and to protect the interests of students.

Eco-friendly bamboo classrooms in Delhi University

1328. SHRI PANKAJ BORA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Delhi University colleges have adopted the eco-friendly concept of bamboo classrooms to meet the infrastructure requirements due to increased number of students after implementation of OBC reservation;

(b) whether it is also a fact that bamboo classrooms are not only eco-friendly but also cost effective;

(c) whether it is also a fact that bamboo based ceilings and tin roof classrooms stay warm in winters and cool in summers; and

(d) if so, how many such classrooms have been constructed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. SHASHI THAROOR): (a) and (b) According to the information furnished by the University of Delhi, a few colleges of the University have adopted an eco-friendly concept of bamboo classrooms, which is also cost-effective.

(c) The majority of the colleges which have constructed bamboo classrooms,