(b)   if so, the reasons for a private company like Pearson being preferred, ignoring the legitimate interests of NCERT, particularly when the CBSE uses the syllabus prepared by NCERT and also uses text books based on NCERT syllabus;

(c)   whether Pearson company has comparable expertise, technical know-how and experience at all India level like that of the NCERT; and

(d)   whether selection of Pearson company was done through the open tendering process or otherwise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. SHASHI THAROOR): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Pearson Charitable Foundation was found to be the most suitable agency for setting up a Research Centre in Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode through a tender floated by the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE). The Foundation was chosen for this job to bring in a large number of unique, complementary skills and global expertise. The Centre would help the CBSE in providing resources for assessment, pedagogy and training of teachers in addition to the support given by the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) and other Government institutions.

(c) and (d) The selection of the Pearson Charitable Foundation was based on an open tendering process. The Foundation fulfills the criteria of technical know-how and experience prescribed in the document of the notice inviting tender.

Establishment of Navodaya Vidyalayas in Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh

†1318. CHAUDHARY MUNABBAR SALEEM: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a)   the number of Kendriya Vidyalayas and Navodaya Vidyalayas in Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh along with the details thereof, district-wise;

(b)   whether Government has any plan to establish Navodaya Vidyalayas and Kendriya Vidyalayas in Muslim-dominated areas; and

(c)   if so, the details thereof, district-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. SHASHI THAROOR): (a) A total of 92 and 105 Kendriya

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Vidyalayas (KVs) are functioning in various districts of Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh respectively. The number of Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya (JNVs) in various districts of Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh are 50 and 71 respectively. The District-wise details of number of the KVs and the NVs in Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh are given in the Statement-I and II respectively (*See* below).

(b)   The KVs and the NVs are not opened on the basis of religion/communities.

(c)   Does not arise.

Statement-I

The District-wise details of Kendriya Vidyalayas (KVs) and Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas (JNVs) in the State of Madhya Pradesh

Sl. No.	Districts	KVs	JNVs
1	2	3	4
1.	Amla	1	0
2.	Anuppur	1	1
3.	Ashoknagar	1	1
4.	Badwani	1	1
5.	Balaghat	2	1
6.	Betul	2	1
7.	Bhind	1	1
8.	Bhopal	4	1
9.	Burhanpur	2	1
10.	Chhattarpur	1	1
11.	Chhindwara	4	1
12.	Damoh	1	1
13.	Datia	1	1
14.	Dewas	1	1

1	2	3	4
15.	Dhar	1	1
16.	Dindori	1	1
17.	Guna	2	1
18.	Gwalior	5	1
19.	Harda	1	1
20.	Hoshangabad	3	1
21.	Indore	3	1
22.	Itarasi	2	0
23.	Jabalpur	9	1
24.	Jhabua	1	2
25.	Katni	2	1
26.	Khandwa	2	1
27.	Khargon	2	1
28.	Mandla	1	1
29.	Mandsaur	1	1
30.	Murena	1	1
31.	Narsing Pur	1	1
32.	Neemuch	1	1
33.	Panna	1	1
34.	Raisen	2	1
35.	Rajgarh	1	1
36.	Ratlam	1	1
37.	Rewa	2	1
38.	Sagar	5	1

1	2	3	4
39.	Satna	2	1
40.	Sehore	1	1
41.	Seoni	1	1
42.	Shahadol	2	1
43.	Shajapur	1	1
44.	Sheopur	1	1
45.	Shivpuri	2	1
46.	Sidhi	1	1
47.	Singrauli	2	0
48.	Tikamgarh	1	1
49.	Ujjain	1	2
50.	Umaria	2	1
51.	Vidisha	1	1
	TOTAL:	92	50

Statement-II

The District-wise details of Kendriya Vidyalayas (KVs) and Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas (JNVs) in the State of Uttar Pradesh

Sl. No.	Districts	KVs	JNVs
1	2	3	4
1.	Agra	3	1
2.	Aligarh	1	1
3.	Allahabad	9	1
4.	Ambedkar Nagar	0	1

1	2	3	4
5.	Auraiya	0	1
6.	Azamgarh	1	1
7.	Badaun	1	1
8.	Baghpat	1	1
9.	Ballia	1	1
10.	Balrampur	1	1
11.	Barabanki	1	1
12.	Bareilly	6	1
13.	Basti	1	1
14.	Banda	0	1
15.	Bhadochi	0	1
16.	Bijnor	0	1
17.	Bahraich	0	1
18.	Bulandshahr	1	1
19.	Chandauli	1	1
20.	Chitrakoot	1	1
21.	Deoria	2	1
22.	Etah	1	1
23.	Etawah	1	1
24.	Faizabad	1	1
25.	Farukhabad	1	1
26.	Fatehpur	0	1
27.	Firozabad	1	1
28.	Gautambudh Nagar	3	1

1	2	3	4
29.	Gaziabad	4	1
30.	Gazipur	1	1
31.	Gonda	2	1
32.	Gourkhpur	2	1
33.	Hamirpur	0	1
34.	Hardoi	0	1
35.	Hathras	0	1
36.	Hapur	1	0
37.	Jalaun	0	1
38.	Jaunpur	0	1
39.	J.P. Nagar	0	1
40.	Jhansi	4	1
41.	Kannauj	0	1
42.	Kanpur	9	1
43.	Kaushambi	0	1
44.	Kushinagar	0	1
45.	Kanpur Dehat	1	1
46.	Lakhimpur Kheri	1	1
47.	Lalitpur	2	1
48.	Lucknow	10	1
49.	Mahamaya Nagar	1	0
50.	Mahoba	1	1
51.	Mathura	3	1
52.	Mau	1	1

1	2	3	4
53.	Meerut	3	1
54.	Moradabad	1	1
55.	Mainpuri	0	1
56.	Mirzapur	0	1
57.	Maharajganj	0	1
58.	Muzaffar Nagar	1	1
59.	Oriya	1	0
60.	Pratapgarh	0	1
61.	Pilipbhit	1	1
62.	Rae Bareli	1	1
63.	Rampur#	0	1
64.	Rampur	1	0
65.	Saharanpur	1	1
66.	Shahjahanpur	2	1
67.	Sitapur*#	0	1
68.	Sitapur	1	1
69.	Sonebhadra	3	1
70.	Shrawasti	0	1
71.	Siddharthnagar	0	1
72.	Sant Kabir Nagar	0	1
73.	Sultanpur	2	1
74.	Unnao	1	1
75.	Varanashi	4	1
	TOTAL:	105	71

#Non-functional JNVs.