

Recruitment of B.P. Ed. holders as primary teachers

†2122. SHRI RASHEED MASOOD: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has banned the recruitment of Bachelor of Physical Education (B.P. Ed.) degree holders as primary teachers;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor, and
- (c) whether this order has been implemented in Uttar Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JITIN PRASADA): (a) and (b) In pursuance of section 23 of the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009, the National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) has vide its Notification dated 23rd August, 2010 laid down the minimum qualifications for a person to be eligible for appointment as a teacher from classes I-VIII. For primary classes the teacher education qualifications specified under the Notification are 2-year Diploma in Elementary Education, 4-year Bachelor in Elementary Education, and 1-year Bachelor in Elementary Education, under certain conditions, which prepare teachers to teach various subjects such as science, social science, mathematics, language etc. The B.P.Ed degree is not an eligible qualification for primary classes as the programme is designed to prepare teachers for physical education only and not for subject teaching.

(c) The Government of Uttar Pradesh has informed that its Recruitment Rules for primary school teachers have been aligned with the NCTE Notification dated 23rd August, 2010.

Starting of new CBSE schools

2123. SHRI BASAWARAJ PATIL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of CBSE schools in the country, State-wise; and
- (b) whether Government would take initiatives to start new CBSE schools in various States where there is an acute need?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JITIN PRASADA): (a) A list indicating the State-wise schools affiliated with the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) is given in the Statement (*See below*).

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