

during the year 2013-14 as compared to 2012-13. Decline in birth rates in some parts of the country as well as failure of private schools to report enrolment data, sometimes leads to fall in enrolment data.

(d) The Government of India supports States through the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) and the Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan to adopt several interventions to enhance access to schools and check dropouts, which include *inter alia* opening of new schools, strengthening school infrastructure in existing schools, provide residential hostels through the Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas and Girls Hostels as well as providing additional teachers and other equipments necessary for teaching learning processes. The mid day meal scheme is also being implemented to enhance enrolment and retention in elementary schools.

Infrastructure in schools

3409. SHRI BIRENDER SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there still exist schools in the country with one room and no toilet where more than hundreds of students study;

(b) whether it is also a fact that when a toilet is provided in such schools, it is used by both boys and girls; and

(c) whether the single room provided to such schools is also used for storing ration of mid day meals?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI): (a) to (c) As per Unified District Information System for Education 2013-14 there are only 5.08% single classroom Government elementary schools in the country. Such schools account for only 1.2% of the total enrolment.

Of these schools 78.95% schools have toilets. Under the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan all new schools are sanctioned with toilet facilities both for boys and girls as a part of the school design. For existing schools States / UTs are supported to provide separate toilets for girls and boys through SSA and in convergence with Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation. Of the single classroom schools 10970 schools have Kitchen-cum-stores. Kitchen-cum-stores are constructed under the Mid Day Meal Scheme.

Attendance in training courses of KVS

3410. DR. ANIL KUMAR SAHANI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether about twenty five per cent of teachers do not attend training courses conducted by Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS);