

**Views invited for proposals on CSE**

2904. SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has sought the views of parties on five proposals with regard to Civil Services Examinations (CSE), if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Government had convened all party meet in this regard; and
- (c) if so, the deliberations made in the said all party meet?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (DR. JITENDRA SINGH): (a) to (c) An all party meet was held on 23.11.2014 to discuss the issues concerning the Civil Services Examination (CSE). In the said meeting, it was decided to circulate a background note on the CSE to the floor leaders of all the parties in Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha for seeking their valuable suggestions/inputs in this regard before taking a view on the concerns raised.

**Reservation for handicapped in CSE**

2905. SHRIMATI SASIKALA PUSHPA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any reservation for handicapped in Civil Services Examinations (CSE);
- (b) if so, the percentage of reservation; and
- (c) the number of handicapped persons not selected by UPSC after clearing the IAS exam., and the reasons of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (DR. JITENDRA SINGH): (a) and (b) In accordance with the provisions of The Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protections of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995, there is three percent reservation for Persons with Disabilities of which one per cent each is reserved for persons suffering from (i) blindness or low vision, (ii) hearing impairment and (iii) locomotor disability or cerebral palsy in the Civil Services Examination unless specific exemption from reservation for handicapped candidates has been obtained by the concerned Cadre Controlling Authority (CCA) from Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.

- (c) UPSC recommends only those candidates including those belonging to