textbooks are available in sufficient numbers with the NCERT to meet any further demand, if received/reported.

Girls hostels in Kerala

- 671. DR. T.N. SEEMA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Central Government has received any proposal from Kerala Government for setting up of girls hostels in the economically backward blocks of the State;
- (b) if so, the details including the present status thereof and by when these proposals are likely to be approved; and
- (c) the status of such proposals received from other States during the last three years, State-wise and proposal-wise?
- THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. A proposal for construction of 100 bedded Girls' Hostel in Educationally Backward Blocks namely Chalakudy, District Thrissur was received from the State Government of Kerala as part of the State's Annual Plan Proposal for 2014-15. The same could not be approved as the proposals were incomplete.
- (c) The status of proposals received from other States, State-wise and proposal-wise during last three years, is given in Statements (See below).

Statement

State-wise details of proposals received and approved during last three years i.e.
2011-12 to 2013-14

Sl. No.	State	Proposals received	Approved
1.	Andhra Pradesh	163	163
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	18	0
3.	Assam	108	80
4.	Bihar	224	7
5.	Gujarat	85	85
6.	Haryana	18	18

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Sl. No	State	Proposals received	Approved
7.	Jammu and Kashmir	88	49
8.	Jharkhand	82	82
9.	Karnataka	12	12
10.	Madhya Pradesh	3	3
11.	Manipur	5	5
12.	Meghalaya	9	9
13.	Mizoram	1	0
14.	Odisha	130	0
15.	Rajasthan	70	70
16.	Telangana	192	192
17.	Tripura	8	8
18.	Uttar Pradesh	196	0
19.	Uttarakhand	1	1
	Total	1413	784

Failure of school education system

672. SHRI M.P. ACHUTHAN:

SHRI D. RAJA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the Annual Status of Education Report (ASER), 2014 which reveals that the school system is failing students in their ability to read, write, count and measure;
 - (b) if so, the details of the findings of the Report;
- (c) whether Government has made any attempt to find out the reasons for the failure of its schools system; and