

**Vacancies of Vice Chancellors in Telangana**

1492. DR. K. V. P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government is aware that many posts of Vice Chancellors are lying vacant particularly in Telangana; and

(b) whether the Centre would intervene to ensure that these posts are filled up early in order to facilitate smooth functioning of these centres of higher learning?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI): (a) Yes, Sir. At present, out of three Central Universities in the State of Telangana, two Central Universities namely (i) Maulana Azad National Urdu University and (ii) University of Hyderabad do not have regular Vice Chancellors. As far as, State universities are concerned, filling up positions of Vice Chancellors is the responsibility of the State Government and information in this regard is not maintained Centrally.

(b) Vice-Chancellors of Central Universities are appointed by the President of India in accordance with the provisions of respective Act and Statutes. The process for appointment of Vice-Chancellor of above mentioned two Central Universities has been initiated.

**Gender sensitisation in school curriculum and textbooks**

1493. SHRIMATI KANIMOZHI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken measures to incorporate gender sensitisation in school curriculum and textbooks;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government has taken measures to include gender module for teachers during pre service and post service training; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI): (a) and (b) The National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) has developed syllabus and textbooks across the subjects to promote gender sensitization in the school curriculum. The text books at all stages of school education prioritize gender sensitization in designing of