

(c) Assessment and accreditation of quality of University and Colleges in the country is undertaken by National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) and National Board for Accreditation (NBA). The details regarding quality assessment by these agencies are available at <http://www.naac.gov.in> and <http://www.nbaind.org>.

#### **Institute for River Sciences**

529. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has planned to set up institutions/universities (Institute for River Sciences) for higher studies, if so, details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor; and

(b) what are the measures taken by Government to improve the river literacy and education?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI): (a) and (b) No, Sir. At present, there is neither any proposal nor any request with the Ministry to set up River Sciences institute/university for higher studies.

#### **Infrastructural facilities in Tamil Nadu**

530. SHRIMATI SASIKALA PUSHPA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government gives emphasis on providing toilets in all the schools in the country, if so, the details thereof, including the guidelines given, if any;

(b) the steps taken by Government to provide infrastructural facilities in this regard, including the State of Tamil Nadu; and

(c) the details of the funds allocated for this purpose during the last two years, year-wise and State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI): (a) The Central Government financially supports States and Union Territories (UTs), for augmentation and improvement of school infrastructure including separate toilets for boys and girls under the schemes Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) and Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA).