

**Vidyanjali Yojana**

†2842. SHRI NARESH AGRAWAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has allowed one and all to study in all the Government schools under Vidyanjali Yojana;
- (b) if so, the criteria to determine whether teacher fulfils the eligibility conditons or not; and
- (c) if not, the real objective of Vidyanjali Yojana?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA): (a) to (c) 'Vidyanjali', a School Volunteer Programme was launched in June, 2016 by Central Government to involve people from Indian Diaspora, retired teachers, retired Government officials including retired defence personnel, retired professionals and women who are home makers having graduation degree to strengthen implementation of co-scholastic activities in Government schools.

Volunteers under the programme will offer their services to Government schools through an online portal developed by *MyGov.in*. The Volunteers will conduct one or more co-scholastic activities with children such as reading to children; helping children with creative writing; public speaking; play acting and preparing story books. Volunteers under the programme will not be involved in academic teaching as Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009 mandates that only suitably qualified persons are eligible to teach in schools.

**Buxar Kendriya Vidyalaya functioning without its own building**

†2843. SHRI BASHISTHA NARAIN SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Kendriya Vidyalayas in Bihar not having their own building;
- (b) whether it is a fact that Kendriya Vidyalaya at Buxar, having no building of its own is being run in the premises of another Vidyalaya;
- (c) the impediments being faced in providing building for the Vidyalaya; and
- (d) the details of efforts being made to remove those impediments?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA): (a) 22 Kendriya Vidyalayas

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