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have been used, and for the year 2004-05, their budget is Rs. 144 lakhs, out of which Rs. 43 lakhs have already been used as on 1 st July, 2004. And as for your saying that there are political reasons for reconstitution of this Commission, I do not agree with you. I am sure, you are satisfied and convinced with the reason that I have given for its reconstitution.

Kendriya Vidyalayas in Nagaland

*185. SHRI T.R. ZELIANG: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up new Kendriya Vidyalayas in Nagaland during the current year;

(b) if so, the locations thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) what steps are being taken or proposed to be taken by Government to establish more Kendriya Vidyalayas in the State?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) to (d) A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Statement

(a) to (d) Although the Government of India is planning to open new Kendriya Vidyalayas in districts having no Kendriya Vidyalayas, including those in the State of Nagaland, opening of KVs in State depends upon the suitability of proposals received from the State Government/sponsoring agencies. There is no proposal at present from the State Government or any sponsoring agency from Nagaland for opening new KVs during the current year.

SHRI T.R. ZELIANG: Mr. Chairman, Sir, keeping in view the reply given to my question, I would like to inform the hon. Minister as well as this august House that out of eleven districts in Nagaland, only one district has got a Kendriya Vidyalaya which is functioning at Dimapur. My supplementary question is whether adequate number of teachers, transportation, hostel facilities, drinking water and toilets are made available at this school. If such facilities are not made available, I would like to know whether the Government is contemplating to provide such facilities to this school.

SHRI ARJUN SINGH: Sir, as the statement clearly mentions, out of

eleven districts in Nagaland, four districts have six Kendriya Vidyalayas. Out of this six Kendriya Vidyalayas, the functioning of one Kendriya Vidyalaya is suspended because of lack of enrolment. No proposal from the State Government of Nagaland for opening any new Kendriya Vidyalayas has been received.

SHRI T.R. ZELIANG: Sir, my second supplementary is this, what are the plans and programmes of the Government to improve the system of education in these schools for ensuring quality education? What are the criteria laid down for opening such new schools?

SHRI ARJUN SINGH: Sir, if any proposal comes, we will certainly examine it.

श्री प्यारे लाल खंडेलवाल:सभापति जी, मैं माननीय मंत्री जी को बताना चाहता हूँ कि नॉर्थ-ईस्ट की एक विशेष परिस्थिति है। यहां पर छोटे-छोटे राज्य हैं और यह पहाड़ी इलाका है। मैं मंत्री जी से जानना चाहता हूँ कि क्या आपके मंत्रालय का नागालैण्ड के अतिरिक्त नॉर्थ-ईस्ट के अन्य प्रदेशों में केन्द्रीय विद्यालयों की संख्या बढ़ाने का विचार है? मैं यह भी जानना चाहता हूँ कि वहां पर अध्यापकों की बहुत कमी रहती है, लोग जाते नहीं हैं। क्या उन अध्यापकों की कमी को जल्दी से जल्दी दूर किया जाएगा? ये मेरे दो सवाल थे।

श्री अर्जुन सिंह:सभापति महोदय, यह बात सही है कि उत्तर-पूर्वी इलाके में वहां की भौगोलिक परिस्थितियों को देखते हुए कठिनाइयां हैं। लेकिन ओवर ऑल प्रयास यही है कि उत्तर पूर्वी राज्यों में शिक्षा के क्षेत्र में जो भी प्रसार किया जा सके, केन्द्रीय विद्यालयों या और किन्हीं विद्यालयों द्वारा, वह किए जाने की कोशिश है। टीचर्स की प्रॉब्लम यह है कि टीचर्स वहां के नाम से सिलेक्ट तो हो जाते हैं लेकिन वे वहां पर रहना नहीं चाहते हैं। यह विषय एक कठिन विषय है, यह किस हद तक दूर किया जा सकता है, मैं अभी एक दम से नहीं कर सकता हूँ, लेकिन इस संबंध में हमारा प्रयास जारी है।

SHRI LALHMINGLIANA: Mr. Chairman, Sir, through you, I would like to know from the hon. Minister as to how many Kendriya Vidyalayas have already been established in each of the Noth-Eastern States. Does the Central Government propose to set up more Kerdriya Vidyalayas in those States where there is only one Kendriya Vidyalaya?

SHRI ARJUN SINGH: Sir, this question is related to Nagaland and I have given the answer. If the hon. Member wants to know about the entire Noth-East. I will require a separate notice and I will give the answer.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over.