

**Transport facilities for students of Kendriya Vidyalaya**

†3259. SHRI PRAMOD TIWARI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that children of schools of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS) are not provided transport facilities by school management for commuting to schools, if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether it is also a fact that students of KV have to face danger and difficulties in commuting to school due to non arrangement of transportation facilities by school management; and

(c) if so, whether Government proposes to take any concrete steps in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UPENDRAKUSHWAHA): (a) Yes, Sir. Most of the students of Kendriya Vidyalayas live in the neighbourhood and hence do not require any transport facilities.

(b) No, Sir. No such difficulty has been reported.

(c) Does not arise.

**Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya in Suangdoh village, Manipur**

3260. SHRI D. P. TRIPATHI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether request for setting up of additional Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya (JNV) in Suangdoh village, in Churachandpur District, Manipur duly recommended by the Deputy Commissioner has been received by the Ministry as there is a need for sanctioning of additional JNV, which would be residential and co-educational in nature;

(b) whether any Member of Parliament has also made a request for the same; and

(c) if so, the steps taken to initiate the process for setting up one more JNV in Suangdoh, as was done as a special case in Senapati and Ukhrul district of Manipur?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UPENDRAKUSHWAHA): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. A request for setting up of additional Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya (JNV) in Suangdoh village, in Churachandpur District, Manipur has been received in the Ministry of Human Resource Development,

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through the Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Churachandpur District, as well as from Shri Biswajit Daimary, Hon'ble Member of Parliament. The Navodaya Vidyalaya scheme provides for opening of one JNV in each district of the country. Actual sanction and opening of new JNV depends on the availability of funds and approval by Competent Authority. Additional JNVs at Senapati and Ukhrul Districts of Manipur, were sanctioned in 2011-12, as a special case. A JNV has already been sanctioned in District Churachandpur, Manipur in 1987-88 at Tuinom and is functioning smoothly from its permanent campus. At present there is no proposal to set up an additional JNV at Suangdoh.

#### **Universities in the country**

3261. SHRI C. P. NARAYANAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of universities in the country at present;
- (b) how many of them came into existence since 2001;
- (c) the number of students and teachers in all of them together during academic year 2015-16; and
- (d) what is the number of central universities among them, together with the number of sanctioned strength of teachers at present and the number of vacancies in them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MAHENDRANATH PANDEY): (a) to (c) As per All India Survey on Higher Education (AISHE) 2015-16, the number of universities in the country is 799 and out of them 386 Universities came into existence since 2001. The number of students and teachers in the institutions of higher education in the country during academic year 2015-16 are 3.46 crore and 15.19 Lakh respectively.

(d) Out of the total number of sanctioned teaching posts of 17006 (2407 Professor, 4789 Associate Professor, 9810 Assistant Professor), in 40 Central Universities (CUs) under the purview of Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD), 6080 teaching posts (1308 Professor, 2230 Associate Professor, 2542 Assistant Professor) are lying vacant as on 01.10.2016. In case of Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), against the sanctioned teaching posts of 454 (69 Professor, 135 Reader/Associate Professor, 250 Assistant Professor), 176 posts (38 Professors, 51 Reader/Associate Professor, 87 Assistant Professor) are lying vacant as on 01.11.2016.