## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DEFENCE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2103

TO BE ANSWERED ON 15th MARCH, 2021

## SETTING UP OF SAINIK SCHOOLS IN PARTNERSHIP

2103 SHRI K. SOMAPRASAD: SHRI K.R. SURESH REDDY:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is proposing to bring a new scheme for setting up one hundred Sainik Schools in the country in partnership with NGOs/private schools/State Governments, etc;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and budget allocated to the project; and
- (c) the details and number of applications received from different States and Union Territories including Kerala;
- (d) whether Government has set up any Committee to finalise the roadmap to complete this project; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and by when these 100 Sainik Schools project would be completed?

## ANSWER MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE SHRI SHRIPAD NAIK

(a) to (e): Government is proposing to bring a new scheme for setting up Sainik Schools in the country in partnership with NGOs/Private Schools/States etc. The endeavor is to provide schooling opportunities in "CBSE Plus" type of educational environment by involving desirous Government/Private Schools/NGOs to partner in establishing/aligning their system with Sainik Schools ethos, value system and national pride. It envisages enrolling existing/upcoming schools to be run on the lines of Sainik Schools curriculum. The schools are proposed to be affiliated to Sainik Schools Society. Detailed guidelines and requisite approvals are at an advance stage.

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