

Norms of determining staff strength in Kendriya Vidyalayas

2917. SHRI ABDUL GAIYUR QURESHI:
SHRI V.V. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether freezing of class-sections and staff-strength of Kendriya Vidyalayas, resorted to in 1999-2000, has since been abandoned following acceptance of recommendations of the Baldev Mahajan Committee's recommendations by the Board of Governors on 17th July, 2000;

(b) if so, the details of steps taken to restore the earlier provisions; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN): (a) to (c) In the light of the economy instructions of the Ministry of Finance, the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan took a decision to freeze the staff strength of the existing Kendriya Vidyalayas. For freezing the staff strength, it was necessary to freeze the number of sections in each class. The earlier decision of freezing the staff strength has been considered by the Board of Governors of the Sangathan in July, 2000 in view of the recommendations of the Baldev Mahajan Committee and the Board has passed a proposal for providing a flexible salary budget to KVS and has referred the same to the Government.

Central Universities

2918. SHRI R.K. ANAND Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Central Universities, State-wise in the country;

(b) whether Government are considering to set up a Central University at Ranchi;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and