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## LOK SABHA

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The Lok Sabha met at Eleven of the Clock.

[Mr. Speaker in the Chair.]

ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Admission of Students in Delhi Schools

Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state what have been made for students to primary middle and higher secondary classes in the Union Territory of Delhi, particularly in the congested areas?

The Minister of Education (Dr. K. L. Shrimali): A statement giving the required information is laid on the Table of the House.

## STATEMENT

In order to admit new students in the schools of the Territory, the Delhi Municipal Corporation has opened 54 new junior basic schools and upgraded 22 junior basic schools to senior basic standard. Additional sections have been opened in the existing schools to admit more children. The New Committee Delhi Municipal arranged to open 8 new primary schools. The Delhi Administration has opened 16 new higher secondary schools and one middle school. Some new higher secondary schools are also 600 (ADT.SD-1

being opened by voluntary organizations and some private aided middle schools are being raised to the higher secondary standard.

Special efforts have been made to provide additional facilities in the congested areas. New schools have been opened wherever found possible. Some schools are being run in double shifts. The managements of private higher secondary schools have been instructed to increase their existing enrolment by at least 5 per cent. The heads of such schools have also been asked to register the names of students who cannot be accommodated in their own schools and to help them in getting admitted in the nearest possible school.

Shri Shiv Charan Gupta: Sir, I have been trying to elicit this information for the last seventeen days, because it is a matter of vital importance for the people of Delhi from year to year; but it appeared to me that the Ministry is rather shy of taking the Members of Parliament and the public into confidence....

Mr. Speaker: Now the statement has been laid on the Table of the House. What further information does he want?

Shri Shiv Charan Gupta: What is the estimated number of students, boys and girls, seeking admission in the schools, particularly in the congested areas, and arrangements for how many boys and girls have been made in the different classes?

Dr. K. L. Shrimali: Well, Sir, the Ministry has never felt shy of answering any questions that the hon. Member may ask....

Mr. Speaker: That has been answered.

Dr. K. L. Shrimali: I will take Members of Parliament into confidence.

With regard to the question that the hon. Member has raised, the Delhi Administration has arranged for the admission of 22,000 children in classes six to eleven. And for this purpose they have opened 16 new higher secondary schools and one middle school and have added 200 additional sections to the existing schools. addition to this, some aided higher secondary schools are being opened, and some are being raised from middle to higher secondary standard. There is some difficulty with regard to the congested areas. But that is not within our power. Delhi had grown before any of us came here. However, special efforts are being made to provide additional facilities in the congested areas. I might inform the hon. Member that new schools have been opened in Balli Maran, Clock Tower, Sabzi Mandi, Kamla Nagar and Balmiki Colony. In some of the congested areas, because of the shortage of accommodation, schools are running in double shifts. And instructions have been issued to all managements of existing higher secondary schools to increase their existing enrolment by at least 5 per cent. They have also been asked to register the names of students who cannot be accommodated in their own schools and to help them to secure admission in the nearest possible locality. Not a school boy or girl would be denied admission in educational institutions. It may be that a boy or girl may not find admission in the school in which he or she is seeking admission. But arrangements would be made to provide educational facilities to all of them.

Shri Shiv Charan Gupta: I want to know what is the back-log in girl's education in these areas and what arrangements have been made to clear this back-log, because they are facing a lot of difficulty. Dr. K. L. Shrimali: As far as my knowledge goes, as I have already said, no boy or girl will be denied admission in educational institutions. As far as the backwardness of girl's education is concerned, it is a much wider question. It does not arise out of this.

श्री भक्त दर्शन : श्रीमन्, मैं स्वीकार करता हूं कि दिल्ली के स्कूलों में दाखिले में कोई विशेष ग्रड़चन नहीं पड़ रही है, लेकिन साइंस का विषय जो विद्यार्थी लेना चाहते हैं वह उन को मिल नहीं रहा है, ग्रत: उस के लिये क्या कोई विशेष व्यवस्था की जायेगी?

डा० का० ला० श्रीमाली : जी हां, पूरी व्यवस्था है। लड़कों की योग्यता के अनुसार उन की पढ़ाई का पूरा इन्तजाम किया जायेगा।

Shrimati Savitri Nigam: May I know if arrangements have been made for sufficient number of teachers to be appointed in these schools, because during the last ear it was seen that for many subjects the teachers were not available.

Dr. K. L. Shrimali: Well. Sir, only there has been a shortage of science teachers, and this is a countrywide shortage. There has been some shortage, but the students were not allowed to suffer because arrangements have been made and science teachers were given additional work. Because of the rapid expansion, sometime some shortage occurs. Schools cannot run without teachers and necessary arrangements are made to recruit new teachers for these schools.

Shri Maheswar Naik: May I know whether in view of the acute shortage of accommodation, Government is going to reconsider the question of permitting schools and classes to be held in tents also?

Mr. Speaker: From admission we are going to accommodation, then to furniture etc. That will be too wide.

Shri Maheswar Naik: I wanted to know.....

Mr. Speaker: Order, order.

Shri Hem Barua: With a view to meet the rising demand for admission in schools, Government have made provision for double shifts, and have also asked some school administrations to increase the number of students by 5 per cent.

Mr. Speaker: All this was said by the Minister. He knew it already. The question should come straightaway.

Shri Hem Barua: It will come. If so, is this a correct solution of the problem? Is it not going to add to the deterioration of the standards?

Dr. K. L. Shrimali: Double shift is not an ideal arrangement, I admit. But, here is a problem, where we have no accommodation for putting up school buildings in the congested areas. This is with reference to the congested areas. The Government have done their best to find accom-Accommodation is not modation. available. Under these circumstances, there is no alternative before the Governmentment except to run double shifts. Every effort is being made to see that studies do not suffer even in the double shift system.

Shri P. Kunhan: Are the Government aware of the fact that the Suka Khalsa High School is going to be downgraded and if so, what is the reason?

Mr. Speaker: That is not relevant. Next question.

Pay Roll Saving Scheme

Will the Minister of Finance be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Pay Roll Savings Scheme has been introduced in all Government offices;
  - (b) if so, since when;

- (c) whether this scheme is optional or compulsory; and
- (d) if optional, how this is responded to by Government employees?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Finance (Shrimati Tarkeshwari Sinha): (a) Not yet, Sir. A modified scheme has, however, been drawn up for use of Government offices and is expected to be introduced shortly.

- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) The scheme is optional. The deductions will be made from the salaries of Government employees with their consent for investment in Small Savings Securities.
  - (d) Does not arise, at this stage.

Shri Subodh Hansda: May I know whether the modified scheme that will be introduced in future will be limited within Class I officers or open to all the government employees?

Shrimati Tarkeshwari Sinha: The scheme has been agreed to. The details of the scheme have not been worked out. I am not in a position to give the details of the scheme.

Shri Subodh Hansda: When will the details be worked out? How long will it take?

Shrimati Tarkeshwari Sinha: Very soon.

## Regional Engineering College at Kozhikode

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Shri Warior:
Shri Vasudevan Nair:

Will the Minister of Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have taken any steps to establish the Regional Engineering College at Kozhikode (Calicut) Kerala State; and
- (b) whether any amount has been allotted for the purpose?