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Safety Measures in Civil Aviation Sector

6191. DR. V. VENKATESH: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether special emphasis has been given to improve the level of safety measures in the Civil Aviation Sector;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of safety devices which have been introduced to prevent the accidents?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE AND MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI MOTILAL VORA): (a) and (b). Improvement of level of safety measures is a continuous process. Various measures such as implementation of recommendations emanating from investigation of aircraft accidents and incidents, dissemination of safety information, carrying out periodic inspection of aerodromes, prompt maintenance and eradicating bird menace at airport etc. have been taken to improve the level of air safety.

(c) There are no specific devices as such to prevent accidents. However, aircraft have inbuilt 'fail safe' features and redundancy of systems to cater to emergencies.

Teaching of Sanskrit in Kendriya Vidyalayas

6192. DR. V. VENKATESH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVEL-OPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether teaching of Sanskrit is being neglected in Kendriya vidyalayas:

- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether recruitment/promotion to the post of Post graduate teacher (Sanskrit) has since been stopped; and
 - (d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L.P. SHAHI): (a) and (b). No, Sir. Sanskrit is taught as a compulsory subject from Class V to IX. Sanskrit can also be offered as an elective subject in class XI and XII and as an additional subject in class-X.

(c) and (d). Posts of Post Graduate Teachers in different subjects including Sanskrit are created as per the norms prescribed for such creation. According to the norms there is no shortage of Sanskrit teachers in the Kendriya vidyalaya Sangathan at present.

High Powered Committee on Technical Education of Women

6193. DR. PHULRENU GUHA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state;

- (a) whether Government have appointed a high powered committee to go into the question of technical education of women; and
 - (b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L.P. SHAHI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.