

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA) : (a) As per information provided by the Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti, 67 posts of teachers are lying vacant in the Navodaya Vidyalayas in Gujarat, as on 30.6.1994.

(b) Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti has taken steps to accelerate the recruitment/promotion process for filling up of the vacant posts.

[English]

Human Resource Requirement

5180. SHRI BRAJA KISHORE TRIPATHY : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have made any projection of country's human resource requirement for the future;

(b) whether there is any mechanism to maintain a balance between the future requirement of skilled/qualified personnel and intake of students to various courses in the Institutions for Higher Education; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA) : (a) to (c). The Government have made projections for country's human resource requirement of qualified personnel in the areas of Engg. and Technology including Pharmacy at the degree and diploma levels in the country through its scheme of National Technical Manpower Information System (NTMIS). These projections are taken into consideration by the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) while approving the new courses/programmes in these fields.

Diesel Loco Simulator

5181. SHRI P.C. CHACKO : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether country's first computerised Diesel Loco Simulator has been introduced at Tughlakabad, New Delhi in recent past;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the procurement cost and source of procurement of the equipment;

(d) whether the equipment will provide advantages to railway passengers; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the same is likely to be introduced in Kerala?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Train operating conditions are simulated with Audio Video and Motion Effects in the simulator and thus assists in improving the quality of training of locomotive drivers.

(c) The equipment was procured through M/s Tata Electronic Development Services at a cost of Rs. 5.58 crore.

(d) and (e). It is for improving the quality of training of drivers in handling trains. It benefits the passengers by way of improvement in the enginemanship of train crew and would result in better train control and safer train operation. Simulators are planned to be installed progressively at selected training centres and the facilities will be used for training drivers from all Indian Railways.

Railway Stations

5182. SHRI ANNA JOSHI : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the details of the Railway Stations in Maharashtra where electrification work was in progress during the year 1993-94 and till June 30, 1994;

(b) the details of the amount spent on this work; and

(c) the time by which this work is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF) : (a) 22 stations.

(b) Rs. 22,00,356 were spent on this work.

(c) The work of electrification has already been completed at 21 stations. In the remaining one station, the work is planned to be completed in 1995-96.

Commonwealth Scholarship Scheme

5183. SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE :

MAJ. GEN. (RETD.) BHUWAN CHANDRA KHANDURI :

DR. LAXMINARAYAN PANDEYA :

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

(a) whether 'Textile Technology and Textile Management' is an approved subject for postgraduate study/research under the Commonwealth Scholarship Scheme;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government propose to take steps for inclusion of this subject under the Commonwealth Scholarship Scheme in view of the importance of 'Textiles' in India's international trade; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?