

autonomous body. Each case will, however, have to be examined separately. There is no representation from such employees available on record of the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan.

#### **Dutch Assistance for Setting UP of a Modern Port**

3113. DR. KRUPASINDHU BHOI: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have sought Dutch assistance for setting up of a modern Inland port in the country;

(b) if so, the site selected for the location of the port;

(c) the amount of Dutch assistance expected to be obtained therefor;

(d) whether some other sites have also been considered for the location of the port; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT) : (a) and (b). The possibility of obtaining Dutch assistance for a modern Inland Port at Patna has been discussed with Dutch Government.

(c) The quantum of assistance cannot be estimated at present.

(d) and (e). In the existing National Waterway, Patna is considered to be a very suitable site among other possible locations.

#### **Anomalies in Promotional Avenues of Teachers**

3114. PROF. NARAIN CHAND PARASHAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether certain anomalies in re-

spect of promotional avenues and the adjustment of senior teachers in the modified scales have been brought to the notice of Government and the University Grants Commission by the Delhi University Teachers' Association and similar other bodies in other states during the financial years 1987-88 and 1988-89; and

(b) if so, the nature thereof and the steps taken by Government to remove the anomalies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L.P. SHAHI) : (a) and (b). According to the Delhi University Teachers' Association, teachers appointed between January 1973 and July 1975, when M. Phil/Ph. D. was not the minimum qualification for recruitment, will now have to wait for a longer period to be appointed in the Readers' Grade. The DUTA and some other teachers' organisations have also pointed out that Readers will now have no promotional avenues. The Scheme as amended in July 1988 provides that a Lecturer on completion of eight years of service will be eligible for placement in a senior Scale which is equivalent to the pre-revised Readers' Grade. On completion of eight years in the Senior Scale (A total of 16 years of service), he will be eligible for promotion to the post of Reader, or placement in a Selection Grade equal to that of Reader. Those who have Ph. D. or M. Phil degrees will be entitled to a benefit of three and one years of service respectively for the purpose of this promotion/placement. In the original scheme, provision was made for Senior Scale for Read draws to provide promotional avenues for them. However, as teachers were against increasing the number of scales of pay, the two grades of Reader were combined into a single grade.

#### **U.N. Aided Afforestation Project**

3115. SHRI PARASRAM BHARDWAJ: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state: