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likely to be taken for its implementation; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) The Sunderbans is one of the 10 waterways identified for consideration for declaration as National Waterways.

(b) and (c). Developmental work, on declaration of this stretch as a National Waterway, would include hydrographic surveys, dredging, channel marking, provision of navigational aids, conservancy works, regulation of flow of traffic for ensuring safety in navigation. As declaration of Sunderbans as National Waterway has not been effected, it would not be possible to indicate the time to be taken for implementation.

## Kendriya Vidyalaya in Etah (U.P.)

6201. SHRI KAILASH YADAV: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVEL-OPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is an proposal to open a Kendriya Vidyalaya in Etah, Uttar Pradesh; 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) and (b). There is no such proposal under consideration of the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan.

## **Acquirement of Rare Manuscripts**

6202. SHRI N. DENNIS: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOP-MENT be pleased to state the details of steps taken to acquire rare manuscripts regarding Indian political development from individuals living in India and abroad?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L.P. SHAHI): The National Archives of India, New Delhi and the Khuda Bakhsh Oriental Public Library, Patna have programmes of acquiring manuscripts and documents pertaining to medieval and modern periods of Indian history. The following methods for acquiring these materials are being adopted by them:-

- By gift/donations through personal contacts and correspondence.
- (2) By purchase.
- (3) Under Cultural Exchange Programmes with various countries.
- (4) Under Exchange Agreement with India office Library and Records, London.
- (5) Under Charles Wallace Trust (India) Grant, London. It was made available for 5 years with Offect from 1984 to liaise with India office Library and Records, London, and to acquire documents of Indian interest on microfilm.
- (6) Through Unesco aid.

## **Adverse Effect of Pesticides**

6203. SHRI SURESH KURUP: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

 (a) whether any tests are conducted to monitor the adverse effects of the pesticides