

(c) if not, the reasons thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRIES OF RAILWAYS AND EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) A survey is in progress for augmentation of line capacity between Sheoaphully and Bandel section including Tarakeswar branch. Decisions for augmentation of capacity will be taken after study of the survey report.

**Promotional avenues for teachers in Kendriya Vidyalayas**

4352. SHRI ERA ANBARASU: Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether some categories of teachers in Kendriya Vidyalaya e.g. P.E.T., W.E.T., Music and Drawing Teachers and Laboratory Assistants etc. have no promotional avenues at all;

(b) whether the three main categories of Kendriya Vidyalayas Teachers viz. PGT, TGT, Primary teachers have only 25 per cent promotion quota;

(c) if so, whether this policy of Government is generating frustration and stagnation among Kendriya Vidyalayas teachers; and

(d) how Government are thinking to overcome this state of affairs?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRIES OF RAILWAYS AND EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It has been decided to increase the promotional quota for the posts of P.G.Ts. and T.G.Ts. from 25 per cent to 33 1/3 per cent Posts of Primary

Teachers are filled 100 per cent by direct recruitment.

(c) and (d). No, Sir. Provisional has been made for grant of selection grades for all categories of teachers.

**Stagnation of Kendriya Vidyalayas Teachers**

4353. SHRI ERA ANBARASU: Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether majority of teachers in different categories in Kendriya Vidyalayas have been stagnating in their pay scales;

(b) if so, what is the percentage of such stagnated teachers in different Kendriya Vidyalayas; and

(c) whether Government have taken some steps or are contemplating to do away with this undesirable phenomenon?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRIES OF RAILWAYS AND EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) to (c). Statistical data about the extent of stagnation among the teachers of Kendriya Vidyalayas is not readily available. However, provision has been made for grant of selection grades for all categories of teachers. To avoid stagnation, promotional avenues are also provided to different grades of primary, graduate and post-graduate teachers.

**Eligibility for Posts of Education Officers in Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan**

4354. SHRI ERA ANBARASU: Will the Minister of EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether twenty six new posts of Education Officers have been created by Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan;

(b) if so, whether none of these posts has been earmarked for Post Graduate Teachers who are highly qualified for the said posts; and

(c) whether Principals only are posted as Education Officers and not Post Graduate Teachers who are already frustrated due to stagnation?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRIES OF RAILWAYS AND EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b). The Board of Governors of the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan has approved the creation of 26 posts of Education Officers Recruitment Rules for these posts have not yet been finalised.

(c) Adequate promotional avenues are available to Post Graduate Teachers. They are eligible for promotion to the posts of Vice-Principals as well as of Principals.

#### Report of Chanchal Sarkar Committee Re: External Publicity

4355. SHRI ARJUN SETHI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a report by Chanchal Sarkar Committee was submitted to the Government alongwith some recommendations pertaining to modernisation and increase of equipment, particularly for external publicity;

(b) if so, the details regarding its main recommendations which have been accepted by our Government;

(c) whether it is also a fact that there is paucity of funds also for opening separate information wings in Indian missions; and

(d) if so, details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): (a) Yes Sir. This report was submitted to the Government of India late in 1978 and was laid on the table of the Lok Sabha/Rajya Sabha on 28-3-1979.

(b) The recommendations made by the Chanchal Sarkar Committee were examined by this Ministry. Many of the recommendations involved excessive expenditure particularly in foreign exchange which was considered uneconomic. The Ministry, however, reviewed the broad suggestions made by the Committee for improving external publicity in March 1980 and evolved alternative proposals which could meet the objective of improving India's external publicity without entailing the same extent of expenditure. The important alternative proposals being processed are: (1) Creation of a publicity and an editorial cell in the External Publicity Division with editors, writers, who would prepare publicity material in English, Hindi, Spanish, German and French. (2) Expanding the printing capacity of the External Publicity Division with better equipment and additional staff for printing material in the above languages. External Publicity Division has already acquired a new printing press. (3) Strengthening the Indian Embassy publication production centres at Cairo and Moscow for preparation and distribution of publicity material in Arabic and Russian. (4) Opening of new information wings in 25 embassies in Asia, Africa and Latin America over a period of three to five years subject to Cabinet approval.

(c) and (d). The proposals in this regard is being actively considered for implementation. It is being processed for submission to the Cabinet for approval. The delay in finalisation and implementation of this proposal for the opening of 25 separate information wings is mainly due to financial constraints. The attempt at present is to find the most effective and economical means to implement this proposal as early as feasible.