

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE (SHRI D. P. YADAV) : (a) and (b) Shri N. Srinivasul Reddy, M.L.A., addressed a letter dated 6-6-1972 to the Superintendent of Police, Vigilance Cell (CID), Hyderabad in which he made allegations of mal-practices against the management of the group of hostels and educational institutions being run by the Harijan Vidyanthi Uddharaka Sangham, Vakadu, Nellore District Andhra Pradesh. The State Government has appointed Secretary, Education Department, as Enquiry Officer to investigate the matter.

The allegations relating to the misappropriation of gift goods by the managing committee of the Vakadu group of institutions has been referred to the State Criminal Investigation Department.

Encouragement to Magicians

9258. SHRI RANABHADUR SINGH: Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government of India have given any encouragement to magicians in the country;

(b) whether Central Government gives incentive to Indian Magicians by allowing them to go to foreign countries also; and

(c) if so, the facts thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE (SHRI D. P. YADAV) : (a) to (b). There is no scheme with the Government of India for encouraging magicians in the country or for giving incentives to them for visiting foreign countries.

Concession to S.C. & S.T. Students of Central Schools in Maharashtra

9259. SHRI A. S. KASTURE : Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the total number of Central and Public Schools in Maharashtra with their places of location;

(b) the total number of students, class-wise admitted in these schools during the session 1972-73 with the number of students belonging to Scheduled Castes/Tribes; and

(c) what are the concessions granted to students belonging to Scheduled Castes/Tribes in the matter of tuition fee, maintenance grant while admitting these students ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE (SHRI D. P. YADAV) : (a) There are 17 Central Schools and 3 Public Schools in Maharashtra at the following places :

Central Schools

1. Ahmednagar
2. Ambarnath
3. Bhandara
4. Colaba, Bombay
5. Dehu Road
6. Devlali
7. I.I.T. Powai
8. I.N.S., Hamla
9. Karanja
10. Khadakvasla
11. Kirkee
12. Lonavala
13. Lohgaon
14. Nagpur
15. Nasik Road Camp
16. S. C. Poona
17. Pulgaon Camp.

Public Schools

1. Hansraj Morarji Public School, Andheri, Bombay.
2. Sainik School, Satara.
3. Shri Shivaji Preparatory Military School, Poona.

(b) In so far as Central Schools are concerned, a statement is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-498/73.]

As regards Public Schools, information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

(c) In the Kendriya Vidyalayas education is free to all students including students belonging to Scheduled Castes/Tribes up to Class VIII. In respect of Classes IX to XI, students belonging to Scheduled Castes/Tribes are exempt from payment of tuition fees. No maintenance grant is given to any student. In the matter of admission the Rules provide for preference being to the children of S. C./S. T. employees in each priority category, subject to their qualifying the admission test.

As regards Public Schools, information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Concession to S.C. & S.T. Students of Central School in Tamil Nadu

9260. SHRI M. S. SIVASWAMY : Will the Minister of EDUCATION, SOCIAL WELFARE AND CULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the total number of Central and Public Schools in Tamil Nadu with their places of location; and

(b) the concessions given to students belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in such schools at the time of admissions or otherwise?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE (SHRI D. P. YADAV) : (a) There are 10 Central Schools and 2 Public Schools in Tamil Nadu at the following places :

Central Schools

1. Air Force Station, Avadi
2. Madurai
3. Coimbatore
4. Tambaram
5. Gill Nagar, Madras
6. Tiruchirapalli
7. I.I.T., Madras
8. Heavy Vehicles Factory, Avadi.
9. Kalpakkam
10. Minambakkam.

Public Schools

1. Lawrence School, Lovedale (Nilgiris).
2. Sainik Schools, Amravathinagar.

(b) The rules of admission to the Kendriya Vidyalayas provide for preference being given to the children of S.C./S.T. employees in each priority category, subject to their qualifying the admission test. Besides, they are also exempted from payment of tuition fees.

As regards public schools, the Lawrence School, Lovedale do not give any special concessions to the students admitted to the Schools. Regarding Sainik School, Amravathinagar, admission is made strictly according to the order of merit. However, all Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes boys who have qualified in the entrance examination are admitted irrespective of their position in the order of merit. Also, it has been decided with effect from 1973-74 all Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes boys who fail by 7 marks in two subjects out of four subjects will be declared eligible for admission provided they pass in