GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

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INCREASING RETIREMENT AGE OF FACULTY MEMBERS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has set up a Group of Ministers to examine the proposal to increase the retirement age of faculty members of Central Education Institutions from 62 to 65 years with a provision for re-employment till 70 years as reported in The Time of India dated September 22, 2006;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the above proposal to increase the retirement age of faculty members is not likely to aggravate the unemployment problem; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken thereon;
- (e) whether the government proposes to recruit fresh faculty members implementing reservation quota to tackle the unemployment problem; and
- (f) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT.D.PURANDESWARI)

- (a) to (d): In view of shortage of teachers in various institutions, a proposal for enhancement in the age of superannuation from 62 to 65 years for teaching positions in Centrally funded institutions in higher and technical education is under consideration of the Government.
- (e) and (f): Recruitment of faculty members at entry levels which is an ongoing process, is done in accordance with the relevant Acts and Statutes governing universities or other institutions as also in accordance with the policies of reservation.