GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1117 ANSWERED ON:03.03.2010 NON-AVAILABILITY OF QUALIFIED TEACHERS Pradhan Shri Nityananda;Siddeswara Shri Gowdar Mallikarjunappa

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether qualified teachers for appointment in schools are not available in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and the reason therefor; and

(c) the action plan of the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) Several States in the country, particularly Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Orissa, West Bengal and Uttar Pradesh and some of the North Eastern States have shortage of qualified persons for appointment as teachers in schools. The shortage is because of inadequate capacity in the existing recognised teacher education institutions in these States to prepare qualified persons in relation to the annual demand for teachers.

(c) The Government takes several steps, in partnership with the States, for increasing the availability of qualified teachers. Towards this end, the Government provides resource support to the States/UTs for establishment and functioning of Districts Institutes of Education and Training (DIETs), Colleges of Teacher Education (CTEs) and Institutes for Advance Studies in Education (IASEs) under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Teacher Education. The National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) grants recognition to teacher education institutions for conducting various teacher education courses and for expanding annual capacity of existing institutions.