GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1822 ANSWERED ON:04.08.2010 EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS IN PPP MODE Antony Shri Anto

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

- (a) whether the Government is planning to set up educational institutions in Public-Private Partnership (PPP);
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the steps taken and time frame fixed in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government has estimated the cost for establishing educational institutions in PPP mode;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, alongwith the share of the Government and private parties therein;
- (e) whether the Government is planning to introduce a legislation in this regard; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be introduced?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): There is a mismatch between demand and supply in the education sector. The National Policy of Education, 1986 (as modified in 1992) states that in the interest of maintaining standards and for several other valid reasons, the commercialization of technical and professional education will be curbed. However, Government favours active support and involvement of private participation for funding and management of educational institutions subject to reasonable surplus earned being ploughed back for development of the institutions. The 11th Plan document as approved by the National Development Council, also mentions the need to further explore private sector initiatives and various forms of Public Private Partnerships (PPPs) in the education sector. It further envisages setting up of 2500 Model Schools, 300 Polytechnics and 20 new Indian Institutes of Information Technology in various parts of the country under PPP mode. A Bill for prohibiting unfair practices in higher education has already been introduced in the Parliament on 03-05-2010 and has since been referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee.

(e): No, Sir.

(f): Does not arise.