GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4111 ANSWERED ON:18.08.2010 RETIREMENT AGE OF FACULTY Muttemwar Shri Vilas Baburao;Rajesh Shri M. B.

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

(a) whether the University Grants Commission (UGC) has any proposal to raise the retirement age of college and university teachers to 65 years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the time by which the proposal is likely to be approved;

(d) whether the Government has also urged the State Governments to implement the revised pay package for the teachers; and

(e)if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the State Governments thereto?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) : The retirement age of teachers in centrally funded institutions in higher and technical education under the purview of the Ministry of Human Resource Development was raised from 62 to 65 years in March, 2007.

(d) & (e): Yes, Sir. A letter dated 11.5.2010 was sent to all State Governments, a copy of which is available on the Ministry's website at www.education.nic.in. While it is for the concerned State Governments to prescribe retirement age for the teachers under their purview, Central assistance for reimbursement of 80% of the additional financial requirement for meeting arrears for salary revision of teachers in higher education from 1.1.2006 to 31.3.2010 is subject to adoption of the entire package of benefits including age of superannuation. Concerns expressed by some State Education Ministers during the Conference held on 18.6.2010 are being examined.