GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

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ACUTE SHORTAGE OF FACULTIES
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is acute shortage of faculty members in the wake of mushrooming growth of educational institutions; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the impact on the students community due to the acute shortage of faculty?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. There is some shortage of faculty in various Central Educational Institutions as tabulated below:

- Kendriya Vidyalayas/Navodaya 4899 Vidyalayas
- 2. Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs) 144
- 3. Indian Institute of Science Education 50 & Research (IISERs)
- 4. Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) 1693
- National Institutes of Technology 1522 (NITs)
- 6. Central Universities 6374

The shortage of faculty does impact the teaching and learning in these educational institutions. Lack of qualified faculty is main reason for shortage of faculty. In order to address the shortage of faculty, various measures have been taken by the Government which include giving two years time to ad-hoc faculty to acquire National Eligibility Test (NET) qualification, engaging retired faculty etc. The Central Government has also enhanced the age of teaching faculty to 65 years in order to address faculty shortage.