GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

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

- (a) whether incidents of leak-out of papers set for various examinations conducted by institutes/entities under his Ministry are increasing;
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Government in this regard;
- (c) the number of such incidents reported during the last three years and the current year alongwith the number of persons found guilty in this regard and the action taken against them; and
- (d) the details of action plan formulated by the Government to check the recurrence of such incidents in future?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): There have been sporadic incidences of leak out of papers which are attended to expeditiously by the respective organizations under this Ministry to ensure that such leakage of papers does not impact the impartiality and credibility of such examinations.
- (c): Two incidence of paper leak have been reported by CBSE and one incident of paper leak has been reported by EdCIL (India) Limited during the current year. Cases have been registered and accused persons have also been arrested. These cases are under various stages of investigation/ litigation.
- (d): The government is committed to check the recurrence of such incidences in future for which various precautions/measures enlisted below have been taken:
- # The question papers are packed in special kraft envelopes then kept in cloth lined envelopes having the security seals and thereafter shrink wrapped prior to packing in cloth parcels. Finally these are packed in canvas bags with special seals.
- # The question papers are kept with the Nationalized Banks and on the day of examination handed over just prior to the commencement of examination to the Centre Superintendent/Representative of the Centre Superintendent after a due receipt.
- # The aspects of setting and moderation of the question papers and selection of printers for printing the question paper are being dealt by the Senior Management.
- # At self-centres, Centre Superintendent is deputed from outside the school.
- # At centre, question paper packets are opened in the Centre Superintendent's office in the presence of four invigilators.
- # Observers are involved in all activities for observing the fairness in the conduction of examination.