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HOSTEL ACCOMMODATION FOR NORTH EASTERN STUDENTS

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

(a) whether the Government has any plan to provide separate hostel accommodation for the students of North Eastern region in metropolitan cities like Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata and Chennai;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefore?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): There is no plan or scheme under the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) for providing separate hostel accommodation for North-Eastern students in metropolitan cities like Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata and Chennai. However, funds amounting to Rs. 1.00 crore in the financial year 1999-2000 and Rs. 2.95 crores in the financial year 2003-2004 were provided for construction of a hostel for North-Eastern Students at Jawaharlal Nehru University under the Non-Lapsable Central Pool of Resources.

There are two hostels in the Delhi University namely 'Sarawati P.G. Boys Hostel' and 'North Eastern Students Hostel for Women' having 70% reservation in accommodation for the North Eastern Students as North Eastern Council had provided financial assistance for construction of these hostels. Besides that one new hostel, namely, 'Rajiv Gandhi Girls Hostel' is under construction in the Delhi University Campus which in a Joint Venture of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region / North Eastern Council. After completion of this hostel, students of the NE Region will be benefited.