GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5723 ANSWERED ON:07.09.2011 AVAILING STUDY LEAVE Vasava Shri Mansukhbhai D.

Will the Minister of PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Central Government employees who went on study leave during the last three years;
- (b) the year-wise details of amount spent by the Government on study leave during the said period;
- (c) whether the study leave is earning any benefits to the Government;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government provides salary to the officers on study leave;
- (f) if so, the details thereof; and (g) the number of employees of Group `C` and `D` who have been sanctioned study leave during the last two years?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY)

- (a) & (b): No centralized data is maintained. Leave sanctioning authorities in the Ministries/Departments are competent to sanction Study Leave.
- (c) & (d): Study Leave is granted to a Government servant with due regard to exigencies of public service to enable him to undergo a special course of study consisting of higher studies or specialized training having a direct and close connection with the sphere of his duty. Such studies improve his abilities as a civil servant and equip him to collaborate with those employed in other branches of the public service. Thus the Government is benefited by permitting Study Leave by way of getting a better service from such Government servants who are equipped with such talents.
- (e): Yes, Madam.
- (f): During Study Leave a Government servant is entitled to draw leave salary equal to pay that he drew before proceeding on leave and in addition the Dearness Allowance, House Rent Allowance. For Study leave availed for courses outside India, Study Allowance is also admissible as per the Rules.
- (g): No centralized data in this regard is maintained.