GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

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SHORTAGE OF URDU TEACHERS AND BOOKS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a shortage of trained Urdu teachers and text books translated by the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) in the Urdu Schools functioning in the country including Delhi;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the steps taken by the NCERT to overcome the shortage of text books and the success achieved in this direction so far;
- (d) the action taken by the Government to recruit Urdu teachers including other subjects viz. Maths, English and Science etc.; and
- (e) the role of Jamia Millia Islamia and Delhi Urdu Academy in translating the books into Urdu?

Answer

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

- (a) to (c) Government has no specific information regarding shortage of trained Urdu teachers and textbooks, as Urdu schools are generally under the purview of the State Governments. National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) has published Urdu textbooks for Classes I to XII, based on National Curriculum Framework, 2005. NCERT is supplying Urdu textbooks through Urdu Academy, Delhi, which is the national distributor of NCERT's Urdu textbooks. These Urdu textbooks are also available at the NCERT's sales counter located in NCERT campus in New Delhi.
- (d) Recruitment of Urdu teachers is generally the responsibility of the State Governments.
- (e) Jamia Millia Islamia was entrusted with the responsibility to translate, edit, vet and proofread the Urdu textbooks of NCERT.