GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEFENCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:565 ANSWERED ON:13.08.2012 SAINIK SCHOOLS Biju Shri P. K.;Mishra Shri Mahabal

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number and details of Sainik Schools functioning in the country at present, State-wise and location-wise;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to set up some new Sainik Schools in various States including Kerala and if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether any study has been conducted with regard to functioning of the Sainik Schools;
- (d) if so, whether the objectives behind setting up of Sainik Schools have been achieved;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the steps being taken by the Government to make improvement in the functioning of the said Schools?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

- (a) At present, there are twenty four Sainik Schools under the Ministry of Defence in the country. Their state-wise location is enclosed as Annexure-A.
- (b) Sainik Schools are established on receipt of a specific request from a State Government. It should also agree to provide land alongwith funds for the creation and maintenance of basic infrastructure, equipment and facilities and also provide scholarships to the cadets of that state. A Memorandum of Agreement is also required to be signed by the State Government to this effect.

As regards opening new Sainik Schools, proposals have been received from the State Governments of Orissa, Madhya Pradesh and Andhra Pradesh for setting up new Sainik Schools in Sambalpur, Sagar and Chittoor districts respectively. After site inspection by officers of the Ministry, 'in principle' approval has been accorded for setting up new Sainik Schools in these States. The State Governments have been requested to transfer the land, build up basic infrastructure and sign the Memorandums of Agreement.

- (c) to (f): The Sainik Schools Society reviews the working and academic performance of Sainik Schools and their success at NDA entrance examination. There is an upward trend in the academic and the NDA results. In pursuance of the decisions taken during such Review meetings, the following steps have been taken:-
- (i) An elaborate programme of in service training to the teachers and administrative staff and competition oriented training to the cadets is being implemented with the assistance of experts from the Services and professional educational institutions/ bodies like National University of Educational Planning and Administration (NUEPA) and National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT).
- (ii) Service Selection Board (SSB) oriented training is also being provided to the cadets using professional resource personnel.
- (iii) Principals of Sainik Schools are being deputed to empowerment programmes conducted by CBSE in collaboration with the Indian Institutes of Management and NUEPA.
- (iv) The Ministry of Defence also provides training grants annually to each Sainik school with a view to upgrading training infrastructure and skills.

Orders have been issued for conducting a study on Sainik Schools by NUEPA inter-alia to analyse the functioning of Sainik Schools in terms of admission policy, selection criteria of cadets and their overall development.

ANNEXURE - A REFERRED TO IN THE REPLY GIVEN IN PART (a) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 565 FOR ANSWER ON 13.08.2012

- 1. ANDHRA PRADESH SAINIK SCHOOL KORUKONDA
- 2. ASSAM SAINIK SCHOOL GOALPARA
- 3. BIHAR 1. SAINIK SCHOOL GOPALGANJ 2. SAINIK SCHOOL NALANDA
- 4. CHHATTISGARH SAINIK SCHOOL AMBIKAPUR
- 5. GUJARAT SAINIK SCHOOL BALACHADI
- 6. HARYANA 1. SAINIK SCHOOL KUNJPURA 2. SAINIK SCHOOL REWARI
- 7. HIMACHAL PRADESH SAINIK SCHOOL SUJANPUR TIRA
- 8. JAMMU & KASHMIR SAINIK SCHOOL NAGROTA
- 9. JHARKHAND SAINIK SCHOOL TILAIYA
- 10. KARNATAKA 1. SAINIK SCHOOL BIJAPUR 2. SAINIK SCHOOL KODAGU
- 11. KERALA SAINIK SCHOOL KAZHAKOOTAM
- 12. MADHYA PRADESH SAINIK SCHOOL REWA
- 13. MAHARASHTRA SAINIK SCHOOL SATARA
- 14. MANIPUR SAINIK SCHOOL IMPHAL
- 15. NAGALAND SAINIK SCHOOL PUNGLWA
- 16. ORISSA SAINIK SCHOOL BHUBANESWAR
- 17. PUNJAB SAINIK SCHOOL KAPURTHALA
- 18. RAJASTHAN SAINIK SCHOOL CHITTORGARH
- 19. TAMIL NADU SAINIK SCHOOL AMARAVATHI NAGAR
- 20. UTTRAKHAND SAINIK SCHOOL GHORAKHAL
- 21. WEST BENGAL SAINIK SCHOOL PURULIA