GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:228 ANSWERED ON:08.08.2012 MODEL SCHOOLS

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

- (a) whether the Union Government is contemplating to set up Model Schools/RashtriyaAdarshVidyalayas under the Public-Private Partnership model;
- (b) if so, the details and the present status thereof;
- (c) the details of the modalities worked out in this regard;
- (d) the time schedule fixed for setting up Model Schools; and
- (e) the number of such Model Schools to be set up in the country, State-wise and the criteria proposed to be fixed for selection of their locations?

Answer

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

(a) to(c): Yes, Sir. The Government has approved the Model School Scheme for setting up of 2,500 model schools under Public-Private Partnership (PPP) mode in blocks which are not educationally backward. Implementation of this component has been initiated from 2012-13 and a Request for Qualification to pre-qualify eligible private entities has been issued in July, 2012.

The selected private entities, such as trusts, societies and not-for-profit companies, will be responsible for setting up the model schools on a design, build, finance and operate basis. The Government will contribute to recurring cost on per capita basis for the students sponsored by the government. Besides, a sum equal to 25% of such support for each sponsored student, not exceeding an amount equal to 10% of the capital investment in the school, shall also be provided as infrastructure grant. The initial agreement for such provision of quality education would be for 10 years for each school, which is extendable by mutual agreement.

(d) & (e): 2,500 model schools are proposed to be located in blocks that are not educationally backward and are proposed to be set up in next three years i.e. 500 schools in 2012-13 and 1000 schools each in 2013-14 and 2014-15. The Ministry has identified 3,203 blocks in the country that are not educationally backward. State-wise number of such blocks is at Annexure.