GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2192 ANSWERED ON:02.12.2009 SCHOOLS IN ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS Ray Shri Bishnu Pada

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

- (a) the number of Primary, Secondary and Senior Secondary Schools in Andaman and Nicobar Islands, location-wise;
- (b) whether these schools lack basic amenities like availability of safe drinking water, clean toilets, etc.;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the school buildings/class rooms and teachers guarters are in dilapidated condition;
- (e) if so, the details thereof;
- (f) the funds provided/being provided by the Union Government for renovation/repair of school buildings/class rooms/teachers' quarters and for other facilities/amenities to the students during the last three years and the current year; and
- (g) the corrective measures/steps taken by the Union Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(SHRI KAPIL SIBAL)

- (a) There are 306 schools in Andaman and Nicobar Islands and these include 172 primary schools,52 middle schools, 40 secondary schools and 42 senior secondary schools. The location-wise details of these schools are annexed.
- (b) & (c) All the schools have drinking water and 291 schools have toilet facility.
- (d) & (e) The Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands has informed that the overall condition of school buildings and teachers' quarters is satisfactory.
- (f) The funds provided for renovation/repair of school buildings/class rooms/teachers' quarters and for other civil works during last three years and current financial year is as follows:-

Year Amount (Rs. in crore)

2006-07 9.24

2007-08 8.76

2008-09 16.37

(g) The responsibility of repair and maintenance of the school buildings and teachers' quarters and for other facilities for students is with the Union Territory Administration. However, Union Territory also makes use of funds provided under Centrally Sponsored Schemes from time to time.