GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1484 ANSWERED ON:29.07.2015 Safety Measures during Education Tours Rao Shri Rayapati Sambasiva

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

- (a) the details of instructions/guidelines issued on educational tour to schools; and
- (b) the mandatory safety precautions required to be taken while undertaking education tours?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) and (b): Ministry of Human Resource Development has issued a set of guidelines on 09.10.2014 to all States/UTs on Safety and Security of children in schools. As per the guidelines, safety and security of children in the school is the responsibility of school authorities. The guidelines further state that the antecedents and experience of driver and transportation must be verified, sufficient number of male and female teachers must be deployed and arrangements of board and lodging should be made keeping in view the security and safety of the children. Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has also issued a circular on 09.10.2014 to its affiliated schools on Safety precautions required to be taken on educational tours of students. Education, being a subject in the concurrent List of the Constitution, and the majority of Schools being under the jurisdiction of the State Governments, it is for the respective State/Union Territory Governments to ensure strict compliance of these guidelines and also to issue their own guidelines.