GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2622 ANSWERED ON:05.08.2015 Admission in International Schools Adityanath Shri Yogi

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

- (a) whether there is provision for the admission of students belonging to the economically weaker sections in international schools situated in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of directions/instructions issued by the Government to international schools set up in the country?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): Section 12(1)(c) of the Right to Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009 provides that, inter alia, an unaided school not receiving any kind of aid or grants to meet its expenses from the appropriate Government or the local authority, shall admit in class I (or pre-primary, as the case may be), to the extent of at least twenty-five per cent of the strength of that class, from children belonging to weaker section and disadvantaged group in the neighborhood and provide free and compulsory elementary education till its completion. Education, being a subject in the concurrent List of the Constitution, and the majority of Schools including International Schools being under the jurisdiction of the State Governments, it is for the respective State/Union Territory Governments to issue direction to the schools for implementation of admission policy.