GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1609 ANSWERED ON:04.03.2015 PAUCITY OF URDU TEACHERS Anwar Shri Tariq;P. Shri Nagarajan

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps to set up new Urdu schools in the country including Tamil Nadu:
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) whether there is paucity of urdu teachers, lecturers and professors in schools, colleges and universities in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise particularly Uttar Pradesh and Bihar and the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to improve the situation?

Answer

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

(a) to (b) Medium of instruction is a matter which falls within the domain of State Governments. The Government of India financially supports State Governments for opening of Primary, Upper Primary and Secondary Schools under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) and Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) as per norms of the scheme. It is for the State Governments to consider opening of Urdu medium schools based on norms of these Schemes.

As per Unified District Information System for Education (U-DISE) 2013-14, there are a total of 28,276 Urdu medium schools in the country, out of which 16,382 are governments schools. The State-wise details of Urdu medium schools including Tamil Nadu are at Annexure.

(c) to (e) Subject-wise data of teachers is not maintained centrally by Government of India.