Title: Need for overall review of Primary Education System.

SHRIMATI SHYAMA SINGH (AURANGABAD, BIHAR): Sir, I would like to draw the attention of the Government towards the deplorable condition of schools throughout the country either run by Union Government or State Government particularly in Aurangabad District of Bihar.

The policies and programmes of the Union Government on primary education system in the country have not been successful. Union Government have not taken any steps even during the past several years to check the proper implementation of primary education system in States. The funds allocated to State Governments for primary education have been diverted either for other purposes or not utilised at all. The guidelines or directives the Union Government have issued to State Governments to implement the primary education system have not been followed. The result is that where school buildings are there, no teachers exist and the schools for which teachers exist no building is there.

Since the past more than one decade the condition of schools in Aurangabad District of Bihar has gone from bad to worse. Neither the Union Government nor the State Government has been taking adequate steps to set it right. Since the policies and programmes on primary education system have been drafted by the Union Government, I urge upon the Government to ensure its proper implementation in each and every village and district of the country. The entire primary education system which is not functioning well could be saved only by sincere efforts of the Union Government in consultation with the State Governments.