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Title: Need to expedite the admission process in Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas in the country.

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SHRI ANTO ANTONY (PATHANAMATHITTA): Madam Speaker, I urge the Central Government to take urgent measures to complete the admission procedures to the Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas (JNVs) across the country for the academic year 2011-12. Entrance exam to the JNVs was to be conducted in the month of February and the selection process should be completed in the following month. But, the entire admission process is pending and lakhs of children and their parents are in a deep-stress and agony. The annual examinations are being conducted in this month of March and the admission to the next classes will be completed during the months of April and May. It is, therefore, very difficult for students to prepare for Navodaya Entrance Examination in these months. Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas are aimed to impart good quality modern education to the children especially in the rural India. This novel experiment could initiate a new revolution in the realm of education. It is the only schooling programme that has a practical method to foster national integration through students' exchange. However, untimely postponement of the entrance examination to Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas will adversely affect its glory and credibility. I, therefore, request the Government to take urgent necessary measures to complete the admission process to Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas.