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Title: Need to establish a Navodaya School, a Kendriya Vidyalaya and an Ekalavya Residential School in Ramanagara district, Karnataka.

SHRI D.K. SURESH (BANGALORE RURAL): I would like to draw the attention of the Government towards the need for establishment of centrally sponsored Navodaya Vidyalaya, Kendriya Vidyalaya and Ekalavya Model Residential School in Ramanagara District. Ramanagara District is my home district comprising of Channapatna, Kanakapura, Ramanagara and Magadi Taluks. Unfortunately none of the Central schools have been established in this district. Nearly 75.27 per cent of the population of the district is rural. As per the Nanjundappa Report, Ramanagara District is one of the most backward districts in Karnataka and this is largely due to the fact that there are not enough quality educational institutions in the district. There are many tribals living in the district especially in Kanakapura Taluk. There is an urgent need to setup Ekalavya Residential School to provide quality education to the tribals in the district. Part of the district is on the Bangalore - Mysore national highway and as a result it is rapidly urbanizing. The educational imbalance in this small but compact district has to be rectified at the earliest. Therefore, I request the Union Government to take immediate and necessary steps to establish a Navodaya School, Kendriya Vidyalaya and an Ekalavya Residential School in Ramanagara district of Karnataka as per the norms of the Central Government.