

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
RAJYA SABHA
QUESTION NO 11.12.2009
ANSWERED ON
NAVODAYA SCHEME FOR RURAL STUDENTS

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SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA

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

- (a) whether Central Government has recently urged the State Governments to endorse the 'Navodaya Scheme' at the earliest to enable rural students to have access to quality higher education;
- (b) if so, the response of State Governments in this regard;
- (c) whether the education imparting system in the 'Navodaya Scheme' has been modernised so that the rural students can compete with the urban students; and
- (d) if so, the details of assistance provided to State Governments under 'Navodaya Scheme' during the last two years and the results achieved under the Scheme?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

(SHRI KAPIL SIBAL)

(a) to (d) A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (d) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 328 FOR 11.12.2009 RAISED BY DR.N.JANARDHANA REDDY AND SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA REGARDING NAVODAYA SCHEME FOR RURAL STUDENTS.

(a)&(b) All the States/UTs except Tamil Nadu. have accepted the Navodaya Vidyalaya Scheme.

(c) Navodaya Vidyalaya Scheme envisages establishment of a Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya (JNV) in each district of the country for providing good quality modern education to talented children predominantly from rural areas.

(d) Navodaya Vidyalaya Scheme is a central sector scheme, and assistance is not provided to the States. At present, there are 565 functional JNVs in the country with 2.07 lakh students as on 30.09.2009.