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DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY

RAJYA SABHA

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National Foundation for Teachers' Welfare

3078. Shri Dorjee Tshering Lepcha:

Will the Minister of **EDUCATION** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether all the States are members of National Foundation for Teachers' Welfare (NFTW);
- (b) whether NFTW have received any application for registration from Education Department, Government of Sikkim for the teachers of Sikkim to National Foundation for Teachers' Welfare;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (d) what are the various benefits under this scheme that a registered State can avail?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (SHRI JAYANT CHAUDARY)

(a) to (c): As per the guidelines of NFTW, constitution of a state working committee and payment of annual contribution to the fund is the criteria for being a member of the foundation. Not all States/Union Territories are the members of NFTW as on date.

The State of Sikkim is a member of the NFTW since 2004, but it has not paid its annual contribution since 2012-13.

- (d): States/UTs/Institutions who are members of NFTW can recommend applications of their teachers to avail the following: -
 - financial assistance for professional education of children of school teachers;
 - medical reimbursement to teachers suffering from serious ailment;
 - paid holiday to eminent teachers who have rendered meritorious services;
 - financial assistance for construction of Shikshak Sadan; and
 - subsidy to teachers for academic activity.