GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3042 TO BE ANSWERED ON 5.12.2016

ACADEMIC COMPENSATION

3042. SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA: KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Kendriya Vidyalayas Sangathan (KVS) has issued any directions aimed at providing academic compensation to students inclined towards sporting activities and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether KVS has prepared an alternative academic schedule and holds extra classes to compensate for valuable classroom hours lost to sporting activities and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the students who participate in cultural activities and competitions would also be provided extra classes and additional support by the teaching staff and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether KVS awards scholarships aimed at encouraging students to participate in sporting activities and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government also plans to promote sports along with academics for developing a sporting culture in private and Government schools in the country other than KV Sangathan/Navodaya Vidyalaya Sangathan Schools and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA)

- (a) to (c): Yes, Madam. Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS) has issued directions to all its regional offices to arrange extra classes for students participating in sporting and other cultural activities / competitions. The details are as under:-
 - (i) Wherever the movement of the students is for a longer period such as sports coaching camps etc., where the students miss large chunk of classes, teaching should be arranged for the participating students in the host school so that they do not suffer any academic loss.

- (ii) In all other activities where the students miss their classes for a shorter duration, the parent school should ensure that extra classes are arranged for the students after they come back to their respective schools and the students are brought at par with other students as far as syllabus coverage is concerned.
- (d) To encourage the students to participate in sporting activities cash prizes are given by KVS to the students securing top three positions in the National Games / School Games Federation of India (SGFI) events, as detailed below:

(Amount in Rupees)

Game	Ist prize	IInd prize	IIIrd prize
National Games	10,000/-	8,000/-	5000/-
SGFI	15,000/-	12,000/-	10,000/-

(e) Recognizing the importance of sports in the holistic development of the students, the Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA), a Centrally Sponsored Scheme encourages the States/UTs to focus on sports, cultural activities, activity based learning, exposure to life skills etc. An amount of Rs. 50,000/- per school (School Annual Grant) is given as part of recurring grant for miscellaneous activities including purchase of sports equipment and other sports related activities.

The Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009, also provides for a play ground for each school, a part time instructor for physical education in upper primary schools and for supply of play material, games and sports equipment.

Central Board of Secondary Education has also made it mandatory for all schools affiliated to it to provide one compulsory period for sports upto class X and two periods in a week for classes XI and XII.
