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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 96 TO BE ANSWERED ON 4.2.2019

New Navodaya Vidyalayas

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

- (a) the main objectives for setting up Navodaya Vidyalayas in the country;
- (b) the details of Navodaya Vidyalayas operating across the country, State/UT-wise including Chhattisgarh;
- (c) the extent to which these objectives for setting up Navodaya Vidyalayas have been achieved;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to set up more Navodaya Vidyalayas in all the States across the country including Chhattisgarh; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and location-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. SATYA PAL SINGH)

- (a): The objectives of the Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas (JNVs) are mainly to provide good quality modern education including a strong component of culture, inculcation of values, awareness of the environment, adventure activities and physical education to the talented children predominantly from the rural areas without regard to their family's socio-economic condition.
- (b): A statement showing the State/UT-wise details of JNVs operating in the country at present is annexed.
- (c): The objectives of the JNVs have by and large been achieved as is evident from the performance of the JNV students in the academic, sports and other co-curricular activities.
- (d) & (e): The Navodaya Vidyalaya scheme provides for opening of one JNV in each district of the country. Opening of new JNVs is a continuous process which depends on the willingness of the concerned State Government/UT Administration to make available requisite suitable land free of cost and making available required temporary building, free of rent to run the Vidyalaya till the permanent building is constructed. However, actual sanction and opening of new JNV depends on availability of funds and approval by the competent authority. One JNV each has been sanctioned in all the districts of the country (as on 31st May, 2014), including the districts of Chhattisgarh. The State of Tamil Nadu has not yet accepted the Navodaya Vidyalaya Scheme.