GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-5130 TO BE ANSWERED ON- 03/04/2023

CONTRACTUAL TEACHER IN EMRS

5130. SHRI MARGANI BHARAT: SHRI MAGUNTA SREENIVASULU REDDY: SHRIMATI GODDETI MADHAVI: DR. K. JAYAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of the Eklavya Model Residential Schools scheme;

(b) whether it is true that at present just about four thousand teachers have been appointed across the three hundred seventy eight schools, of which almost seventy percent are either contractual teachers or on deputation from State Government schools;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to curb the issue of teacher shortage in the schools?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SMT. RENUKA SINGH SARUTA)

(a): The salient features of the Eklavya Model Residential School (EMRS) scheme are as under:

i. Government has decided to set up an EMRS in every block with 50% or more ST population and at least 20,000 tribal persons (as per 2011 census). Accordingly, 740 EMRSs will be set up across the country.

ii. As on date 690 EMRSs have already been sanctioned and 401 are reported to be functional as on date.

iii. Each EMRS has capacity of 480 students catering to students from Class VI to XII with provision of 50% seats for girl students.

iv. Construction cost of Rs 37.80 Crore for plain area and Rs 48 Crore for Northeast, Hilly and areas affected by Left Wing Extremism is approved.

v. Preferably Land measuring 15 acres will be provided by states. However on case to case basis, if there is difficulty in finding suitable land, the relaxation in area can be done.

vi. Recurring grant of Rs.1.09 lakhs is released per student per year.

vii. Students are to be provided with modern infrastructure (school, labs, hostel, sports facility etc.), study materials, uniforms, medical facilities, adequate purified drinking water and sanitation facilities, extra-curricular activities like dance, music, painting etc.

(b) to (d): Earlier the provision of teaching/non-teaching staff was being done by the State EMRS Societies. As per information received from the states, about 4000 teaching/non-teaching staff including regular, contractual and deputation staff are available in EMRSs. In order to have uniform standards of human resources in EMRSs across the states, Union Government has decided to do central recruitment of teachers and support staff for all EMRSs, for which over 38,000 posts have been sanctioned and recruitment of the same has been scheduled in phases through National Education Society for Tribal Students (NESTS), an autonomous society under the Ministry.
