GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2870 ANSWERED ON 07.08.2023

REMOVAL OF KENDRIYA VIDYALAYAS FROM HARD/ VERY HARD STATION CATEGORIES

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Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS) has categorised some of its schools as hard/very hard Stations, if so, the criteria thereof;
- (b) whether some schools in very difficult areas previously classified as hard/very hard Stations have been removed from the list of hard/very hard Stations issued recently by the KVS;
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor and criteria thereof;
- (d) whether many Kendriya Vidyalayas removed from the list of hard/very hard Stations are categorised as hard/very hard Stations by other Government organisations like Paramilitary forces (like ITBP), Banks etc;
- (e) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (f) whether representations have been received from stakeholders to review anomaly in categorisation of hard/very hard Stations, if so, the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (SMT. ANNPURNA DEVI)

(a) to (c) Kendriya Vidyalayas located in some areas have been designated as hard Stations. The categorization of hard stations are reviewed by Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS) from time to time taking into account the growth infrastructure facilities such as availability of Public Transport, Medical facilities, accommodation at the station and treatment of the station as a difficult station by other Government organizations in the country through an internal committee of KVS. Transfer guidelines / policies of the institution are in place to ensure achievement of the objective of KVS, with regard to all stakeholders. KVS vide notification dated

30/06/2023 has brought out KVS Transfer Policy 2023 also having reviewed categorization of hard / very hard stations to give better stability to the teaching process by prescribing a defined tenure for teaching and non-teaching staff.

- (d) & (e) As per information received from KVS, the categorization of the hard / very hard stations has been reviewed based on growth of infrastructure facilities such as availability of public transport, medical facilities, accommodation at the station and treatment of the station as a difficult station by other Government organizations in the country and 66 KVs have been removed from the list of hard stations.
- (f) Representations, as and when, received are disposed off as per approved norms of KVS.
