GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL & TRAINING)

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2868 (TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.12.2023)

SPONSORSHIP TO STUDY ABROAD

2868. SHRI VISHNU DATT SHARMA:

Will the **PRIME MINISTER** be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of civil servants who have been sponsored by the Government to study or to get training of public policy and public management abroad during the last two years;
- (b) whether academic ecosystem of public policy and public management is not sufficient in India especially in Indian Institute of Management (IIMs);
- (c) if so, whether it is not more appropriate to send abroad the public policy and public management faculty of IIMs and Government public policy institutions instead of civil servants so that exposure to best international practice can be diffused more deeper and wider, in more cost efficient ways;
- (d) if so, the details of policy or efforts which are being made for this course correction; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (DR. JITENDRA SINGH)

(a) to (d): No Civil servant has been sponsored by this Department to study or to get training of public policy and public management abroad during the last two years.

Recognizing the crucial role of Civil Services in fulfilment of India's developmental aspirations and national priorities, the Government had launched the National Program for Civil Services Capacity Building (NPCSCB) – Mission Karmayogi. Under this initiative, the Centre, States and Union Territories are making and implementing Capacity-Building plans for civil servants. The Government has also launched an integrated online training platform, iGOT Karmayogi, to provide continuous learning opportunities for lakhs of government employees to upgrade their skills and facilitate people-centric approach. The Civil Services Training Institutes are also being encouraged to collaborate with other Institutions, Universities, Research Institutions, especially leading domestic and international institutions to bring immersive experiential learning content, faculty, research, to the training, preferably on a reciprocal basis.

In addition, the Academic Institutions especially Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs) are offering both long and short duration courses for Civil Servants on Public Policy & Management. IIMs are also conducting collaborative programs with global institutions, including faculty development, to bring the best global theory and practices in their public policy programs.

(e) Does not arise in view of (a) to (d).