GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DEFENCE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 101

TO BE ANSWERED ON 02nd February, 2024

COMMAND MILITARY HOSPITALS FOR SAINIK SCHOOL TEACHERS

101. SHRI S. MUNISWAMY:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to extend the facilities of the Command Military Hospitals to the retired and serving teachers of the 33 Sainik Schools at par with the serving officers of the armed forces considering stupendous contribution of them;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to bring a legislation with proper know-how/data base of the teachers partially deprived of their rights regarding matters of pension and other deserving sops for them in consultation with people at helm of affairs of the command hospitals and the three chiefs of our armed forces;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) whether the Government acknowledges the fact that Sainik Schools have been the biggest feeders to the armed forces (contributing almost 20 percent of officers) and the people behind this feat have been left out without proper honors and deserving facilities and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

(SHRI AJAY BHATT)

- (a) & (b): Command Hospitals of the Armed Forces are tertiary care centres mandated with the task of providing comprehensive healthcare to serving personnel, their dependents, veterans and their dependents. As teachers at Sainik Schools are civilians, currently there is no such proposal under consideration in the Ministry of Defence.
- (c) & (d): The pay & allowances, pensionary benefits and other facilities extended to the Sainik School teachers are governed by Rules & Regulations of Sainik Schools and instructions issued by Sainik Schools Society from time to time. Currently, there is no proposal under consideration to bring a legislation in the context of facilities for teachers of Sainik Schools.
- (e): Sainik Schools have been one of the biggest feeders to the armed forces. The Government recognizes the role of teachers of Sainik Schools in shaping the future of the cadets. The teachers of Sainik Schools are eligible for nominations to the following awards instituted by Ministry of Education: -
 - (i) National Awards to Teachers
 - (ii) Information Communication Technology Awards

Further, to ensure the motivational level of teachers, due appreciation and recognition from the Chairman, Local Board of Administration and Principal of the respective Sainik School is given to the teachers of respective Sainik Schools.
