GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1169 TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.11.2019 Improving Education System

1169. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA VISWANATH: SHRI VENKATESH NETHA BORLAKUNTA:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to keep education subject completely in its hands to promote national integration among the children avoiding private schools and colleges;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) whether the research done in the country also showed that private education is encouraging just exams and giving marks and ranks instead of teaching the children about the problems being faced in society and if so, the details thereof and corrective steps taken/being taken in this regard;
- (d) whether the Government is working on a comprehensive education system to shape the future of the students instead of concentrating on exams and in achieving 100 per cent results in class rooms, if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether it is also a fact that 30 to 50 per cent primary education and about 60 to 80 per cent higher education in private sector does not augur good for future education policy of our country, if so, the details thereof and the reasons for such situation in the country; and
- (f) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to completely remove private sector from education at primary and higher levels in the country in future?

ANSWER MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK')

(a) to (f): The Government is in the process of formulating a new National Education Policy for meeting the changing dynamics of the population's requirement with regard to quality education, innovation and research, aiming to make India a knowledge superpower. For this purpose, detailed consultations have been carried with various stakeholders and several suggestions and inputs have been received for improving the education system across all levels and sub-sectors of school and higher education, including adult education, vocational education, and professional education. The Committee for the Draft National Education Policy under the Chairmanship of Dr. K. Kasturirangan submitted its report to the Ministry on 31st May 2019. The Draft NEP which was uploaded on the Ministry's website and also at innovate.mygov.in platform has received a large number of suggestions/comments from all stakeholders including Government of India Ministries and State Governments. The National Education Policy is still under finalization.
