

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY**

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION No.1247
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.02.2020**

CTET

†1247. SHRI DEEPAK BAIJ:

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

- (a): whether there has been a steep rise in the registration fees for candidates appearing for 14th edition of Central Teaching Eligibility Test (CTET) conducted by the Central Board of Secondary Education;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the fees and the amount of funds received under the registration head during the last five years;
- (c): the head-wise details of expenditure of the said funds received;
- (d): whether exorbitant fees for examinations hampers the opportunities for unemployed persons; and
- (e): whether the Government is likely to consider framing a policy wherein only applicants who get employment/selected from these exams will have to pay the fees?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has informed that the Central Teaching Eligibility Test (CTET) Examination has two papers to decide eligibility to become a teacher i.e. One paper is to teach classes I to V, and the other is for teaching VI to VII. Fee for taking both exams by a candidate is Rs 1200, and there is no change in this fee. 40% of the candidates appear for both the papers, one after the

other on the same day. However, if a candidate wants to appear in only one of the papers, the fees has been increased as follows:

- (i) from Rs.700 to Rs.1000/- (i.e., an increase of Rs.300/-) for UR/OBC candidates; and
- (ii) from Rs.350/- to Rs.500/- (i.e., an increase of Rs.150/-) for the SC/ST candidates.

The details of the fees collected and the expenditure made during the last five years is **Annexed**. The income and expenditure shown in the statement also includes income from other exams conducted by the unit that conducts CTET exams, upto FY 2018-19. The Board prepares its annual income and Expenditure statement on financial year basis, i.e., from 1st April to 31st March. The fees are received in one financial year for a particular Examination, whereas the expenditure is incurred in next financial year.

(d): CBSE is a self-financing organization and meets all its expenditure and liabilities from funds collected through examination fees received from the candidates. The Board does not get any budgetary support from the Consolidated Fund of India and it also does not have any other source of income.

(e): The Board is merely the examining body for conduct of Teacher Eligibility Test (TET) on behalf of the Central Government under Right to Education (RTE) Act. The Exam is conducted as per the guidelines framed by the National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) for conduct of Teacher Eligibility Test (TET).
