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

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1702 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.03.2020

### **Trained Teachers**

#### 1702. DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that the quality of education in rural areas is not upto the mark due to lack of trained teachers;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to increase the teaching profession especially in rural areas of district Gopalganj, Bihar; and

(d) the quantum of fund allotted to the State of Bihar under the Samagra Shiksha?

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

(a) to (d): Education is in the Concurrent List of the Constitution. The recruitment, service conditions and deployment of teachers are primarily in the domain of the respective State and Union Territory Government. The recruitment of teachers is a continuous process and the vacancies keep arising due to retirement and additional requirements on account of enhanced students' strength.

As per Section 23(1) of the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009, National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) has been notified as an academic authority to lay down minimum qualifications for a person to be eligible for appointment as a teacher in schools, and accordingly, the NCTE has notified the minimum qualifications vide notification dated 25th August, 2010 as amended from time to time, wherein passing Teacher Eligibility Test (TET) is mandatory.

Section 23(2) of The Right of Children to free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009 was amended to ensure all untrained in-service elementary teachers are trained. Accordingly, 958513 teachers have successfully completed the online D.El.Ed. course conducted by the National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS).

The Central Government through the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Samagra Shiksha, provides assistance to the States and UTs for deployment of additional teachers to maintain appropriate Pupil Teacher Ratio as per the prescribed norms for various levels of schooling and for in-service training of teachers, school Heads, subject teachers, resource persons, master trainers, Education Administrators, Teachers Educators, key resource persons, induction training of newly recruited teachers at elementary and secondary levels. Training of teachers is also provided through digital medium on SWAYAM and DIKSHA platform.

Further, the Department of School Education and Literacy has launched a National Initiative for School Heads' and Teachers' Holistic Advancement (NISHTHA)- a capacity building programme for "Improving Quality of School Education through Integrated Teacher Training". It aims to build competencies of all the teachers and school principals at the elementary stage.

Under Samagra Shiksha Rs. 3673.91Crore has been allocated as central share for the State of Bihar during the year 2019-20.

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