3669. SHRI ADALA PRABHAKARA REDDY:

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

(a) whether the NCERT Centre at Nellore is likely to help teachers in States like Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Karnataka, Kerala and Andaman and Nicobar Islands in acquiring training and honing their skills and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the hurdles being faced by the Government in starting this centre and if so, the steps taken to overcome it?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT**

**(SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL ‘NISHANK’)**

(a) The proposed Regional Institute of Education (RIE) of the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) at Nellore, Andhra Pradesh, will cater to the needs of the States of Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu and the Union Territory of Puducherry.

(b) Setting up of a new Regional Institute of Education (RIE) requires appraisal and approval by the prescribed Authorities. In this connection, NCERT has recently awarded the work of preparation of a Detailed Project Report (DPR) for the proposed RIE at Nellore, Andhra Pradesh, to a professional agency.

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