GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY

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Career Guidance for Students

2183. SHRI JAYANT SINHA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government conducts career guidance sessions for students from higher secondary schools, and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether there is a centralized portal or web/ mobile application with details of scholarships and grants for students studying in Government schools and if so, the details thereof and if not, whether the Government plans to introduce the same;
- whether there are any academic collaborations with foreign Universities that can benefit students studying in Government schools, and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a): Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) organizes a two day capacity building programme for the teachers on career guidance of students. The trained teachers take sessions with senior students in their respective schools. The programme focuses on dimensions of career information, strategies and resources used in imparting career information, setting up a career resources room in a school, role of a teacher in imparting career guidance and understanding career development.

In Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS) services of counselors are engaged on part time contractual basis in all Kendriya Vidyalayas across the country. There is also a provision of inviting experts from different fields to sensitize students about the career options available for them to pursue.

In Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas (JNV) career guidance sessions are conducted regularly by the Counselors, Teachers and Vice Principals. Special sessions are also conducted for students in JNVs by inviting eminent experts of various fields.

- (b): National Scholarship Portal (NSP) is one-stop solution through which various services starting from student application, application receipt, processing and disbursal of various scholarships to students are enabled. The main objective of NSP is to ensure timely disbursement of scholarships to students and to provide a common portal for various scholarships schemes of Central and State Governments. National Means-cum-Merit Scholarship Scheme (NMMSS) of D/o SE&L is on-boarded on NSP. The details are available on the NSP Portal. The link is as follows: https://scholarships.gov.in
- (c): Neither Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS) nor Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti (NVS) has entered into any academic collaborations with foreign Universities that can benefit students studying in their schools.
