

## **Need to set up Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya and Kasturba Gandhi Vidyalaya in Bapatla**

**SHRI KRISHNA PRASAD TENNETI (BAPATLA):** Madam, thank you for giving me this opportunity to speak on the important matter of establishing a Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya and six new Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas in Bapatla ? *(Interruptions)*

In response to my Unstarred Question No. 1027 in this august House, the hon. Education Minister mentioned that the newly carved-out Bapatla district does not have a JNV. As such, the students are permitted to apply for admission in the JNV in the old undivided district? *(Interruptions)*

While I appreciate this measure, Madam, it is imperative that a new JNV should be established at the earliest in the newly formed district where my Parliament constituency also exists. In this year, about 25 lakh students had applied for admission in Class VI, but only 49,000 students have given admission in JNV? *(Interruptions)* It shows the importance of having more JNVs formed and established in the country, particularly in the newly formed and backward districts like Bapatla district? *(Interruptions)*

Similarly, I requested for six Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas. I am requesting the hon. Minister through you to sanction six Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas in six Assembly segments of my constituency? *(Interruptions)*

Furthermore, since hon. Finance Minister has laid special emphasis on Ekalavya Model Residential Schools in her speech, I would request the expansion of this scheme in my parliamentary constituency of Bapatla as well? *(Interruptions)*

Finally, Madam, through your good self, I am requesting the hon. Minister to expedite the process of setting up a new Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya, six new Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas and Ekalavya Model Residential Schools in my Bapatla parliamentary constituency, which is also a newly formed and most backward district in the State of Andhra Pradesh? *(Interruptions)* Thank you very much.

**12.54 hrs**

*At this stage, Dr. Dharamvira Gandhi and some other hon. Members came and stood on the floor near the Table.*