

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:156

ANSWERED ON:03.12.2014

FUNCTIONING OF JNVS

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

- (a) the norms laid down for opening of the Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas (JNVs);
- (b) whether the Government has reviewed the functioning of JNVs and if so, the details thereof and the measures proposed to improve the functioning of JNVs;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to provide financial assistance for enhancing the infrastructural facilities in JNVs especially in backward districts of the country and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government has any proposal to open new schools particularly in SC/ST, minority, hilly and desert areas and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

- (a) (d) : A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 156 FOR 03.12.2014 ASKED BY SHRI HARISH MEENA AND SHRI B.V.NAIK, MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT REGARDING FUNCTIONING OF JNVS.

(a) The opening of Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya is subject to a proposal made by the concerned State/UT Government offering 30 acres of suitable land, free of cost and sufficient temporary accommodation free of rent, which could accommodate 240 students and staff for 3-4 years till the Samiti constructs its own building at a permanent site, including other infrastructure like electricity, water etc.

(b) The functioning of Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas (JNVs) has been studied in the past by IIM, Ahmedabad, IIM, Lucknow and by an expert committee headed by Shri. Y.N Chaturvedi. These studies covered all the organizational aspects like admissions, performance of the students, pace setting role and other miscellaneous management issues of the JNVs. The recommendations made by these committees were taken into consideration from time to time in laying down mechanisms for the fulfillment of the objectives for setting up the JNVs. Apart from this, functioning is also reviewed on a continuous basis by its executive committee and the Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti (NVS) headed by the Minister of Human Resource Development.

Improvement of the functioning of the JNVs is a continuous process. Best efforts are made to ensure good infrastructure for the school, food, clothing, playground etc. for the students. On account of these composite factors, the students of the JNVs have consistently been performing brilliantly over the years.

(c) The Government provides the required funds for necessary infrastructure facilities in JNVs through grant in aid on year to year basis. The requirements for infrastructural facilities in the JNVs including those located in backward districts are met from the overall budget grant from the Government of India.

(d) The Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya Scheme provides for opening of one JNV in each district of the country. The JNV scheme does not envisage setting up of JNVs on the basis of SC/ST, minority, hilly and desert areas. Nevertheless, the Government has sanctioned additional 20 JNVs during 2008-2009 in districts having large concentration of SC/ST population and two additional JNVs in Ukhrul and Senapati Districts of Manipur during 2013-2014.