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LINKING PROMOTION OF TEACHERS TO PERFORMANCE OF STUDENTSNew Delhi, April 28th, 2016

There is no such proposal at present to link promotion of teachers to performance of students. Recruitment and service conditions of teachers are in the domain of State Governments/UT Administrations. However, The Central Government has a scheme of National Award to teachers to recognize good performance of teachers across the country. School enrolment campaigns are launched by States at the start of the school academic year for awareness generation to enrol out-of-school children in schools and to reach out hitherto un-reached children in remote areas, working children, girls, children belonging to SC and ST communities, and children in difficult circumstances.

The performance of students is related to multiple factors including school and home environment. The Central Government has taken various steps to ensure teacher accountability in government and aided schools.

The National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) has developed Performance Indicators for Elementary Education (PINDICS) to track teacher performance and attendance in Government schools. PINDICS have been shared with State Governments/UTs to assess teacher's performance.

Additionally, teachers attendance is being monitored by States/UTs through School Management Committees/School Management Development Committees/ Block Resource Centres/Clusters Resource Centres and in some cases by installing bio-metric attendance system etc.

The Central Government has launched the 'Pandit Madan Mohan Malviya National Mission on Teachers and Teaching' in December, 2014 with a vision to comprehensively address all issues related to teachers, teaching, teacher preparation, professional development, curriculum design, research in pedagogy and developing effective pedagogy.

As per the mandate of the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act 2009, Government of India has notified the National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE)

as the Academic Authority at the national level for teacher education and qualification. NCTE has prescribed teacher qualifications for various levels. It has also made it mandatory that all persons holding teacher qualifications as laid down by the NCTE must also pass a teacher eligibility test (TET). These two steps by NCTE are widely seen as efforts to improve the standards of teaching with eventual positive impact on quality of education.

This information was given by the Union Human Resource Development Minister, Smt. Smriti Zubin Irani today in a written reply to a Rajya Sabha question.

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