Student-Teacher Ratio

The Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009 in its Schedule lays down Pupil Teacher Ratio (PTR) for both primary and upper primary schools. At primary level the PTR should be 30:1 and at the upper primary level it should be 35:1. The Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) framework stipulates that the PTR at secondary level should be 30:1.

Safety Audit of Schools

The State Governments and affiliating boards for schools have the responsibility to ensure that schools provide a safe and child friendly environment. This Ministry had written on 27th July, 2004 to all States and Union Territories (UTs) directing that school buildings should be free from inflammable and toxic materials and there should be provision for adequate emergency exits and adequate supply of water and sand for fire fighting purposes. Further, this Ministry's guidelines issued on 9th October, 2014 state that school buildings should be resistant to earthquakes, fire, safe from floods and other calamities.

<u>Shri M. J. Akbar addresses at the 17th</u> International NSG Seminar

The Minister of State for External Affairs Shri M. J. Akbar addressed at the ongoing 17th International NSG Seminar here today.

Union Minister of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare delivers the 55th convocation address of IARI

The Union Minster of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Sri Radha Mohan Singh

<u>Green Building Performance Monitoring</u> <u>Platform - 'Arc' Adopted by IGIA</u>

The Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGIA), Delhi has adopted first-of-its-kind Green Building Performance Monitoring Platform — 'Arc' developed by the US Green Building Council (USGBC) for Terminal 3, Delhi Airport. The adoption of "Arc" is in line with the continued focus on Environment Sustainability and is aligned to make Delhi a Smart airport. Arc facility is already operational.