

Reintroduction of board exams for Class-X

1178. PROF. M.V. RAJEEV GOWDA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the rationale behind the proposal to re-introduce board exams for class ten students;
- (b) whether Government has constituted any committee to look into the implications of the proposal;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether Government have plans to set up counseling centres to allay fears among the students?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI): (a) Currently, Ministry of Human Resource Development have no fructified proposal to re-introduce board exams for class ten of Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE). However, CBSE reviews the curriculum for updation from time to time.

(b) to (d) Question do not arise.

Online courses under SWAYAM

1179. PROF. M.V. RAJEEV GOWDA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the current status of the plan for formation of consortium of premier institutions and universities to offer flipped online courses under SWAYAM;
- (b) whether any progress has taken place in the above programme in terms of collaborations and content creation;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (d) the detailed timeline, budget and implementation roadmap for the programme; and
- (e) whether due steps are being taken to make it accessible to village and semi-urban areas with poor internet connectivity?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI): (a) Sir, presently there is no such plan.