

Change in curriculum of CBSE affiliated schools

1179. SHRI TIRUCHI SIVA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has changed the curriculum of primary and secondary education of CBSE affiliated schools; and
- (b) whether Government is proposing to change the history textbooks in CBSE affiliated schools?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA): (a) No Sir.

- (b) Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) prescribes textbooks of History published by National Council of Educational Research & Training (NCERT) in classes IX-XII. There is currently no proposal to change the history text books published by NCERT.

Schools for mentally challenged divyang students

1180. SHRIMATI JAYA BACHCHAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes to sanction/open new schools for special/mentally challenged divyang students and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the number of such schools at present, State/Union Territory-wise;
- (c) whether Government is considering to fix some quota for admission of such children in schools and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether Government proposes facilities or aid to such students to help in getting education in easy way and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA): (a) and (b) No, Sir. There is no provision in the Ministry of Human Resource Development to sanction/open new schools for special/mentally challenged divyang students.

However, under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), focus is on providing inclusive education to children with special needs (CWSN) in a neighbourhood elementary school, wherein children with and without disabilities participate and learn together in the same class.