

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:587

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INTRODUCTION OF IT SUBJECT IN ALL CBSE AFFILIATED SCHOOLS

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

(a) whether the Government propose to introduce IT subject from VI standard in all the schools affiliated to CBSE in the country, as reported in the 'Pioneer' dated April 10, 2002;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) whether all the schools affiliated to CBSE are equipped with the requisite facility/facilities; and

(d) if not, the time by which these are likely to be equipped with the requisite facilities and the funds earmarked for the purpose?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. RITA VERMA)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 587 ASKED BY S/SHRIRAMMOHAN GADDE AND M.V.V.S. MURTHI REGARDING 'INTRODUCTION OF IT SUBJECT IN ALL CBSE AFFILIATED SCHOOLS'

The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE), an autonomous organisation, has informed that there is no proposal to introduce Information Technology subject from VI standard in all the schools affiliated to CBSE in the country. However, Information Technology has been introduced as one of options under the 'work experience' in classes VI to VIII of CBSE affiliated schools. At the Secondary level, the Board has introduced Introductory Information Technology as an optional subject. At the Senior Secondary level, the Board provides opportunities to students for learning Information Technology through the following elective subjects.

- a) Computer Science
- b) Informatics Practices
- c) IT Applications

Since the study of the subject is optional, the schools with necessary infrastructure can opt for this course. Many of the Independent schools affiliated to the CBSE have the necessary infrastructure. Schools under the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS) and Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti (NVS) have also been asked to make similar provision.