

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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NATIONAL BOOK DEVELOPMENT BOARD
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the main activities of National book development Board;
- (b) whether the regular meetings of the Board are not convened;
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) if not, the facts thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLIMANO HAR JOSHI)

(a) There is no National Book Development Board as such. However, there is a national Book Promotion Council which was reconstituted on 18 december, 1997. The main activities of the Council are:-

- : to facilitate exchange of views on all major aspects of book promotion i.e., writing/authorship of books;
- : Production, publication, sales and copyright of books;
- : Inculcating book reading habits, ensuring availability of books for all segment of people of various age groups.

(b),(c) & (d) Meeting of the Council could not be held so far want of a convenient date.