

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether there is a proposal to introduce 5% education cess as per Common Minimum Programme of the Government;
- (b) if so, the steps taken in this regard; and
- (c) the approach of the Government in earmarking 6% GDP and 10% of the budget for education?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. A. A. FATMI)

(a): No, Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c): The matter of achieving the earmarking of 6% GDP to education sector in a phased manner is under consideration of the Government.