

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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OZONE PACK FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) Whether UN has released ozone pack based on basic knowledge, practical skill and participation for primary schools to enable children to learn simple solutions to protect the ozone layer and safely enjoy the sun as reported in the Times of India dated September 19, 2006 ;

(b) If so, the details thereof ;

(c) Whether there is any proposal to introduce the package; and

(d) If so, the steps taken by the Government to introduce the said package in the primary schools ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The ozone education pack was developed by United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) Division of Technology, Industry and Economics.

This education pack has been developed to provide primary school teachers with a comprehensive and `ready- to-use` educational tool. It is aimed at helping them bring into their classroom the major environmental and human issues related to ozone layer depletion in a way that arouses children`s curiosity and interest.

The materials contained in this Education Pack work together to offer the opportunity of a whole teaching and learning project, based on basic knowledge, practical skills and participation, for young children to be educated about

(1) the natural role of the ozone layer

(2) the causes and consequences of its depletion in terms of increased harmful solar radiation, how to prevent health threats by protecting the ozone layer and

(3) concrete solutions concerning how to be protected from the sun and adapt oneself to increased levels of UV radiation.

(c) No, Sir. This education pack has been received for information and reference.

(d) Does not arise.