GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1241 ANSWERED ON:21.08.2007 NATIONAL BOARD OF SANSKRIT SCHOOL EDUCATION Adhalrao Patil Shri Shivaji;Verma Shri Ravi Prakash

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

(a) whether the Government is considering to set up a National Board of Sanskrit School Education ;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Planning Commission has rejected the proposal for setting up a National Board of Sanskrit School Education ;

(d) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor ;

(e) whether there is an urgent need to streamline and strengthen Sanskrit Schools; and

(f) if so, the measures taken by the Union Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. The Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan has suggested setting up of National Board of Sanskrit School Education to regulate curricular and teaching methods in traditional Sanskrit 'pathshalas' across the country.

(c) & (d) The Planning Commission has not supported the proposal on the grounds that the existing structure, including the conducting of public examination by the CBSE, is adequate to take care of Sanskrit studies.

(e) & (f) The Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan strengthens Sanskrit schools across the country through its regular schemes. There is also a need to streamline curricula and examinations and the proposed National Board was expected to address this task.