

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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MORAL SCIENCE AS COMPULSORY SUBJECT
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to introduce moral science as a compulsory subject in the various schools of the country in view of the fast receding moral values among the youth of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefore?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): National Curriculum Framework (NCF) 2005 recommends introduction of 'Education for Peace' to nurture ethical development and inculcation of values, attitude and skills required for living in harmony with oneself and with others, including nature, and to develop respect for human rights, justice, tolerance, cooperation, social responsibility, commitment to democracy, non-violent conflict resolution and social justice. Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has included moral education as a component of value education integrated into the curriculum across disciplines, and not as a separate subject. Council for the Indian School Certificate Examinations requires its affiliated schools to assess the students internally in "Education in Moral and Spiritual Values" up to class X.