

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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COMPUTERIZED VERSION OF BOOKS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Government has decided to introduce computerized version of books of some classes;
- (b) If so, the details thereof;
- (c) Whether this decision would deprive students belonging to weaker section of the community who are not having computers at home; and
- (d) If so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): No, sir. However, National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) has made available the new textbooks for different classes on its website with provision for free downloading.
- (c) No, Sir. This will not adversely affect any student as all the textbooks published by NCERT are in print form.
- (d) Does not arise