GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:356 ANSWERED ON:23.12.2008 NATIONAL POLICY ON ICT IN SCHOOL EDUCATION Verma Shri Ravi Prakash

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

(a) whether the Government has decided to outsource framing of the National Policy on Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in school education as reported in the Times of India dated 17 October,2008;

(b) if so,the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government has received any representation from eminent educationists of the country in this regard;

(d) if so,the details thereof; and

(e) the action being taken by the Government thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(SHRI ARJUN SINGH)

(a) to (e) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN PARTS (a) TO (e) OF THE REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 356 BY SHRI RAVI PRAKASH VERMA, M.P. REGARDING NATIONAL POLICY O NICTINSCHOOL EDUCATION FOR ANSWER ON 23.12.2008.

(a): No, Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c) and (d): A representation dated 15.10.2008 has been received in the Ministry of Human Resource Development with a request to initiate development of the National Policy on ICT in School Education through national educational institutions.

(e): An official Committee has been constituted to draft the policy on usage of ICT in School Education sector. Members of the Committee include representatives of Ministry of Human Resource Development, Ministry of Communications and Information Technology, Planning Commission, National Council of Education Research and Technology (NCERT), National University of Educational Planning and Administration (NUEPA) and two State Governments.