

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA**

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INCULCATING SCIENCE TEMPERAMENT AMONG YOUTH
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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken/proposes to take steps for emphasizing the need for inculcating a scientific temperament among the youth for creating a better tomorrow; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY; MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE; MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS; AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS(PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN)

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The Government has implemented several initiatives for inculcating scientific temperament among the youth. Countrywide science communication campaigns, exhibitions and competitions, folk forms, radio and television programmes are creatively utilized to reduce the impact of myths and superstitions and encourage rational approach.