GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

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

- (a) whether the quality of teaching is woefully inadequate and massive overhauling of teacher's training programme is required to improve the quality of education in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the measures taken in this direction?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) It is the constant endeavour of the Government to improve the quality of teaching through various in-service teacher training programmes and conduct of teacher education courses for preparing prospective school teachers. Towards this end, in-service training programmes are provided by decentralized structures such as the District Institutes of Education and Training (DIETs) and Block Resource Centres (BRCs) and by national and State- level institutions such as the National Council for Educational Research and Training (NCERT) and the State Councils of Educational Research and Training (SCERTs). Under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Teacher Education, resource support is provided to State Governments for establishment and running of the teacher education institutions.

Curriculum reforms of teacher education courses have also been undertaken by development of a new National Curriculum Framework on Teacher Education and model syllabi for the various teacher education courses.

The Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009 inter alia provides for the roles and responsibilities of teachers for improving the quality of school education and development of national level qualification norms for a person to be eligible for appointment as a teacher.