

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

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FOREIGN LANGUAGES IN CBSE CURRICULUM
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is considering to include many foreign languages as part of the CBSE curriculum;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has held discussions with countries whose languages were to be included in CBSE curriculum; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) and (b) : In order to cater to the diverse needs of students Central Board of Secondary Examination (CBSE) offers 32 languages at the secondary and senior secondary level out of which 12 are foreign languages.

(c) and (d) : CBSE introduces languages based on the need and demand. It is not essential to hold discussion with countries whose languages are to be introduced.