

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

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CLASSICAL MUSIC FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to introduce classical music as a part of curriculum for School Children; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a) and (b) Classical music is already a part of Central Board of Secondary Education's curriculum for Classes IX to XII. In Classes IX and X, a student could study "music" as an additional subject. Students of Classes IX and X also study classical music under "Art Education" as a common subject. In Classes XI and XII, a student could select "music and dance" as an elective subject.