

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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NATIONAL VOCATIONAL EDUCATION QUALIFICATION FRAMEWORK

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

- (a) whether the State Governments have agreed on "National Vocational Education Qualification Framework" prepared by the Union Government for vocational education in schools;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the time by which it is likely to be implemented; and
- (d) the nature of assistance proposed to be provided by the Union Government to the State Governments in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (Dr. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) to (c): The Ministry of Human Resource Development has initiated the process of developing a National Vocational Education Qualifications Framework (NVEQF) to put in place a nationally recognized qualification system, covering higher secondary schools, vocational education institutes, polytechnics, colleges and institutes of higher education. The concept of the framework was discussed in the meetings of State Education Ministers, held on 14th December, 2010 and on 20th January, 2011. The time line for the implementation of the framework can be decided only after the development of the framework is completed.

(d) Under the centrally sponsored scheme of "Vocationalisation of Secondary Education", financial assistance is made available to the States to introduce vocational stream at the higher secondary stage.