

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

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PHALGUNA SAKA PROMOTION OF SEX EDUCATION
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to introduce sex education in schools ;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, alongwith the steps taken in this regard;
- (c) whether the Union Government has discussed this matter with the State Governments; and
- (d) if so, the response of the State Governments thereto ?

Answer

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

(a) : No, Sir.

(b) : Does not arise.

(c) & (d): After consultation with representatives of State Govt. and other stakeholders, Ministry of Human Resource Development has introduced an educational programme, known as Adolescence Education Programme (AEP) at secondary and higher secondary level. It is being implemented by Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE), National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS), Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS), Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti (NVS) and several States and Union Territories in the country. This programme focuses on making students aware of the concerns of adolescence stage, and dangers of HIV/AIDS and substance use; helping them to acquire necessary life skills to enable them to avoid risky situations; to take informed decisions and to develop healthy and responsible behaviour.