

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

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HIV INFECTED STUDENTS

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

- (a) whether incidents of denial of admission to HIV infected students in the schools are on the rise;
- (b) if so, the details thereof ;
- (c) the number of such incidents reported during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (d) the action taken by the Government to protect the right to education of these children; and
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government to stop recurrence of such incidents?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): As per information available with National AIDS Control Organization (NACO), 61 children infected by HIV were removed from the schools in various instances, during the last three years (2008, 2009 and 2010) & current year in the States of Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Haryana, Kerala, Maharashtra, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal. State/UT wise details are annexed.

(d)and (e): As far as Central board of Secondary Education is concerned, advocacy programmes are conducted to sensitize Principals and teachers to ensure that students with HIV/AIDS are treated with dignity and respect. National AIDS control Organization (NACO) and State AIDS Control Societies alongwith their State /District level networks also conduct advocacy programmes with various stake holders including school principals and teachers.