

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

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VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

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

- (a) whether the Government has assessed the impact of vocational education in improving employability of the masses/unemployed youth;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether deficiencies in the implementation of vocational education schemes have been reported in certain States;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the corrective action taken by the Government thereon for proper implementation and popularization of the schemes?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(SHRI KAPIL SIBAL)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 225 FOR ANSWER ON 17.08.2011 ASKED BY SHRI BHUDEO CHOUDHARY AND SHRI PRALHAD JOSHI REGARDING VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

(a) to (d) The impact of the vocational education programmes at senior secondary levels and technical institutions has not been assessed in recent years in terms of employability. However vocational education schemes have been generally evaluated from time to time and have revealed some weaknesses including shortage of trained vocational teachers, weak linkages with industry, lack of horizontal and vertical mobility, rigid curriculum, low end skills, absence of a management and monitoring structure as well as non integration of programmes being conducted by different Ministries.

(e) In consultation with State Governments, the Ministry of Human Resource Development has developed the working document of the National Vocational Education Qualification Framework (NVEQF). This Framework addresses the weaknesses in the present vocational education system through a nationally recognized qualification system, covering secondary schools, vocational education institutes and institutes of higher education. It has been framed in conjunction with the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) in order to strengthen education-industry linkages. The Centrally Sponsored Scheme "Vocationalisation of Secondary Education" is also under revision.