

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

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to start vocational education programme as Centrally sponsored education scheme;
- (b) if so, the time by which the education programme is likely to be started;
- (c) whether the Government is again contemplating to create a separate Board/Organisation for the same; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) and (b): The National Policy on Education, 1986 (as modified in 1992) envisaged vocational education to be a distinct stream at the higher secondary stage. Financial assistance is provided under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Vocationalisation of Secondary Education, launched in 1988, for imparting vocational courses in Government and Government aided higher secondary schools.

(c): and (d): A Vocational Cell has been created in the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) with 4 units namely (i) Administrative & Finance Unit (ii) Curriculum and Research & Development (iii) Assessment Unit and (iv) Affiliation Unit.