

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

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PROMOTION OF INDIAN CULTURE
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether CBSE has given special emphasis on Indian cultural heritage education to promote the talent of students and Indian culture all over the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether CBSE has issued any circular for giving emphasis on the cultural activities besides studies; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): Cultural Education is an integral part of school education at all levels in the country. By organizing seminars, workshops, programmes and taking up projects, excursions, heritage walks, schools have been sensitizing children about rich and diverse heritage and taking concrete steps to further promote and preserve it. CBSE has also initiated following steps for this purpose:

The Board has been conducting Heritage India Quiz since 2001 involving school students to learn and appreciate the country's history with special reference to the freedom struggle, the constitution and other aspects associated with different regions, life styles, traditions, customs etc.

Schools have been advised to celebrate Heritage Day on 12th January 2011

Schools have been advised to organize SPIC MACAY events/workshops and avail the opportunity to bring great artists to the portals of their institutes