

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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EXPANSION OF TEACHING ENGLISH IN SCHOOLS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Sri Lanka and India have come together in a major initiative to expand teaching English in schools;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the progress made so far in this direction and the result yielded so far?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): Under Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation (ITEC) programme of Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) three training programmes of 12 weeks duration were conducted to train 122 teachers by English and Foreign Language University (EFLU), Hyderabad. The recent training programme was conducted from 19 September, 2011 to 9 December, 2011. The University has also set up an English Language Training Course in Kandy, Srilanka. University receives a number of research scholars and MA students sponsored by the respective universities, Indian Council of Cultural Relations (ICCR) and also on self-financing basis.