GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

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PROMOTING CLEAN HYGIENE PRACTICES IN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTES
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the government has launched any programme to promote clean hygiene practices in educational institutes and grading the schools on the basis of their contribution towards effective sanitation; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the funds allocated for the purpose, state-wise?

Answer

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

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) is partnering with the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD), Ministry of Urban Development (MoUD) and GIZ, a German organization working in the field of education in the National School Sanitation Initiative to effectuate a quantifiable achievement in the provisions and practices of sanitation in the country. Under the National School Sanitation Initiative, schools are encouraged to focus on the practical aspects of sanitation in its right perspective, laying emphasis on Personal Hygiene, Proper Sanitation, Clean Toilet Habits, Safe Drinking Water, Separate Toilets for Girl Child, Disposal of Waste Water, Human Excreta Disposal/Toilets, Waste Water Recycling, Waterless Urinals, Waste Segregation, and Compositing, Food Hygiene and Creation, and Conservation of Green Spaces. Colour codes have been given for the schools affiliated with CBSE.

School Sanitation Ratings have been instituted with the purpose of recognizing those schools who are taking significant steps towards effective sanitation and improvement in service delivery leading to the desired behavioural and attitudinal changes towards hygiene and sanitation. 294 schools from 26 states of the country have registered so far on the website to obtain sanitation ratings.

No funds have been allocated to States for this purpose.