

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

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EXPANSION OF VOCATIONAL EDUCATION  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any policy for the expansion of vocational education in 2012-13;
- (b) if so, the details including the salient features thereof;
- (c) the number of students presently enrolled in vocational education courses across the country; and
- (d) the prospects of and revenues for such students of getting employment on completion of their courses?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): Yes Sir. A close partnership with industry and provisions of horizontal and vertical mobility, multiple entry and exit, accreditation of training providers, assessment, certification, etc. of the National Vocational Education Qualifications Framework (NVEQF) being developed by the Ministry would expand and revamp the Technical Vocational Education and Training (TVET) in the country. The revised Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) "Vocationalisation of Higher Secondary Education" and the courses imparted by Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) and National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS) have also strengthened Vocational Education (VE) in secondary and higher secondary schools of the country.

(c) : 10,000 Higher Secondary schools have been covered under the CSS, with an intake capacity of 10.00 lakh students. About 78,000 students are presently enrolled in 34 vocational courses run by CBSE affiliated schools across the country. 22,779 students were enrolled in VE courses of NIOS in 2010-11.

(d) : VE courses are being formulated in close coordination with industry associations. CBSE is also running different courses jointly with the professional organisations and issues joint certificates. This enhances the students' prospects of getting jobs in the respective domains on completion of their courses.