

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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AVAILABILITY OF TEXT BOOKS

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

(a) the demand and supply of the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) text books for different classes in various States and UTs during the last two years and the current year, State/UT-wise and year-wise;

(b) whether NCERT is unable to meet the demand of the States/UTs for supply of text books;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the action taken by the Government to ensure that the text books are made available to the students well before onset of an academic session?

Answer

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

(a) National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) only publishes textbooks for CBSE affiliated schools. Statement showing Region wise /State wise requirement and supply of textbooks is annexed.

(b) &(C) NCERT does not publish books for state governments/UTs. The State Governments take copyright permission from NCERT for adopting/adapting NCERT's textbooks in their respective states/UTs. The names of the states/UTs which have taken copyright permission are Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Goa, Himachal Pradesh, Haryana, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Kerala, Punjab, Rajasthan, Uttarakhand and Delhi.

(d) NCERT in its endeavour to meet the commitment of providing textbooks to the students in time, make all efforts to monitor the printing of textbooks and its distribution through the four depots of NCERT and its wholesale agents.