GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:85
ANSWERED ON:25.11.2009
CHANGE IN EXAM PATTERN OF CLASS X
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the existing pattern of examination for class X being conducted by the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) is proposed to be changed;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Union Government has consulted State Governments/renowned educationists or experts in this field before considering the new pattern of examination;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether appropriate training is proposed to be imparted to the teachers in this regard; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(SHRI KAPIL SIBAL)

(a) to (f): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN PARTS (a) TO (f) OF THE REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 85 ASKED BY SHRI RAO SAHEB DANVE PATIL AND DR. BHOLA SINGH REGARDING CHANGE IN EXAM PATTERN OF CLASS X FOR ANSWER ON 25.11.2009.

- (a): Yes, Sir.
- (b): In accordance with National Policy on Education, 1986, as revised in 1992 and National Curriculum Framework, 2005, Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has decided to introduce the following changes in the pattern of class X Examination:
- (i) There will be no class X Board examination w.e.f. 2011 for students studying in higher secondary schools affiliated to CBSE and who do not wish to move out of the CBSE system after Class X. The students studying in the schools which do not have higher secondary classes, will, however, be required to appear in a Board examination.
- (ii) The Continuous and Comprehensive Evaluation (CCE) has been strengthened in all affiliated schools of CBSE for class IX students from the session 2009-10.
- (iii) Grading System has been introduced for CBSE class X Board Examination, 2010, and for class IX students for continuous and comprehensive evaluation from the session 2009-10.
- (c) and (d): The National Focus Group on Examination Reforms consisting of reputed educationists which deliberated on examination reforms at the time of formulation of National Curriculum Framework, 2005, recommended introduction of these initiatives. Before introducing the new pattern, CBSE has consulted various stakeholders in the matter.
- (e) and (f): CBSE has started a programme to train Principals and selected teachers from its affiliated schools on the continuous and comprehensive evaluation methods. These trained Principals and teachers are responsible to train the remaining teachers in the respective schools.