GOVERNMENT OF INDIA WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4572 ANSWERED ON:07.09.2012 IMPACT OF TV SERIALS ON CHILDREN Singh Smt. Meena

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn towards the increasing tendency of violence among children due to watching of television depicting violence serials/shows being telecast on various TV channels;
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) the necessary reforms likely to be incorporated in the education system for better future of children by imparting them moral lessons and asking them to adhere to Indian culture in schools; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA TIRATH)

- (a): No such report/study has been brought to the notice of the Government.
- (b): Does not arise.
- (c) & (d): The position paper on education for peace prepared by National Focus Group as a part of National Curriculum Framework (NCF), 2005 points out that moral development is precursor to peaceful orientation, and educational aims subsume the aim of peace education. The NCF, 2005 suggests integration of value concerns in the entire school life- the curriculum, classroom climate, school management, textbooks, teaching-learning, teacher-pupil relationship etc. instead of introducing it as a compulsory subject. National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) has been training teachers and teacher educators towards nurturing propeace attitudes and values through their day-to-day interaction with students by teaching different subjects. Some of the initiatives include teacher training programmes for teachers and teacher educators and outreach programmes for implementation of education for peace in States. A resource book for teachers on 'Ways to Peace' has been published by NCERT during 2010 for promoting values of peace for wider dissemination.

Considering the development of a framework on 'Education for values in Schools' by the NCERT, Central Board of Secondary Education has also strengthened the School Based Assessment by introducing value based questions in the Summative Assessment-II in classes IX-X and XI-XII from this year (2012-13).