

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:635
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STATUS OF AAKASH
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is working on Aakash-3 tablet; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the present status thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. SHASHI THAROOR)

(a) & (b) Madam, an Inter-Ministerial Committee for "Continuous R&D and Timely Delivery of Aakash", under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Department of Electronics and Information Technology, has been tasked with the finalization of the specifications for the next version of the Aakash tablet. This committee has set up a sub-committee chaired by Prof. Ashok Jhunjhunwala, IIT Madras, to firm up the specifications for the next version of Aakash.