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SEX EDUCATION

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

(a) whether some Panels have recommended to introduce sex education in a clinical manner in schools through trained teachers and child counsellors;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by the Government in this regard so far?

Answer

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

(a)to(c): Recently the Justice J.S. Verma Committee on Amendments of the Criminal Law has recommended the introduction of sex education in a clinical manner in schools through trained teachers and child counsellors. The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) and the National Council of Educational Research & Training (NCERT) are already taking the following measures:

The materials produced for the adolescence Education Programmes like Skills and Health and Wellness as well as Values Education deal with gender and adolescent issues in a sensitive manner.

The Adolescence Education Programme (AEP) focusing on three major concerns i.e.

(i) The process of growing up during adolescence,

(ii) The prevention of HIV/AIDS and

(iii) The prevention of Substance (Drug) Abuse, has been implemented by the NCERT through the CBSE, the Council of Boards of School Education (COBSE) and the State Education Boards.