

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

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FLUENCY IN THREE LANGUAGES  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether an annual conference of Council of Boards of School Education (COBSE) was held recently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, including the issues discussed therein;
- (c) whether it was urged in the said conference that Board should ensure fluency in three languages viz English, Hindi and mother tongue;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the action plan of the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(SHRI KAPIL SIBAL)

- (a) & (b): The annual conference of Council of Boards of School Education (COBSE) was held on 24 and 25 August, 2009 at New Delhi. The theme of the Conference was "Role of Boards of School Education, and Examination Reforms". The issues discussed at this Conference related mainly to examination reforms, specially in the context of National Curriculum Framework, 2005.
- (c) & (d): It was recommended to the Boards to take concrete measures to ensure the implementation of the three language formula.
- (e): COBSE is an association of the Boards of School Education in India, and it is for the member Boards to take appropriate action on the implementations of the Conference.