

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2101
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BOOKS ON NCERT PATTERN
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) had issued directives to all the schools under the national curriculum framework for school education to prescribe only NCERT books as per the syllabus prescribed by the board;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is aware that some school managers and private publishers have been violating the said directives and publishing books on NCERT pattern and selling those books to the students at higher price;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (e) the corrective measures taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a)&(b): The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has, since 2005-06, directed all its affiliated schools to refrain from recommending the books of private publishers in different subjects at the senior secondary level. The CBSE now prescribes only the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) published books for classes IX to XII.
- (c): No such information has been received by the Board.
- (d)&(e): Do not arise.