

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

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CHANGES IN EXAM PATTERN
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the existing pattern of examination of class X being conducted by the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) is proposed to be changed;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Union Government has reviewed the changes made recently in the CBSE Board exam, which made it optional for the students to attend the exam; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a)&(b): No such proposal is under consideration.

(c)&(d): As per the analysis conducted by the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE), there has been no deviation in pass percentage with regard to students who appeared through Board based examinations vis-à-vis. School based examinations. The result of analysis is shown in the table given below:

Year	Scheme	No. of candidates appeared	Pass %	Mean out of 500
2011	School based	598587	98.71	334.41
	Board based	425089	98.66	340.87
	Total	1023676	98.69	337.09
2012	School based	681508	99.22	328.09
	Board based	484081	98.50	343.02
	Total	1165589	98.92	334.29
2013	School based	743552	99.56	332.43
	Board based	503602	99.03	347.80
	Total	1247154	99.35	338.64

Since the difference in pass percentage between the two modes is not statistically significant, the issue of reviewing the changes does not arise.