GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3425 ANSWERED ON:12.02.2014 CHANGES IN NCERT BOOKS Choudhry Smt. Shruti

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

- (a) whether the Government is in favour of changes in NCERT books; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the changes made so far during the last three years?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) The National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) under the Ministry of Human Resource Development enjoys academic autonomy in the matter of developing, printing and distribution of text books. Textbooks are developed by the NCERT after following a rigorous process involving subject experts, practicing teachers and researchers from various institutions across the country. The NCERT undertakes review and revision of curriculum, syllabi and textbooks as an on-going exercise of education system so as to address contemporary issues and concerns related to school education. In view of the National Policy of Education (NPE) – 1986, the NCERT had undertaken this exercise in 1988, 2000 and 2005 by developing National Curriculum Frameworks and subsequently reviewed and revised syllabi and textbooks in all subjects for all stages as per the vision of these frameworks. The NCERT publishes reprint editions every year after incorporating necessary changes in textbooks on the basis of suggestions and feedback from experts. A list of the names of the Textbooks in which changes/data updation has been made by the NCERT during the last three years is indicated below:

Class VIII: 1. Social Science Textbook in History - Our Pasts-III, Part 1

Class IX: 1 Democratic Politics-I2 Economics 3 Contemporary India I - Geography 4 India and the Contemporary World-I

Class X: 1. Democratic Politics-II 2. Understanding Economic Development 3. Contemporary India II - Geography

Class XI: 1. Indian Constitution at Work 2. Business Studies 3. Financial Accounting (Part 1) 4. Fundamental of Physical Geography 5. India: Physical Environment 6. Themes in World History

Class XII: 1. Contemporary World Politics 2. Business Studies (Part 1) 3. Business Studies (Part 2) 4. Company Accounts and Analysis of Financial Statements (English Version) 5. Fundamental of Human Geography 6. India People and Economy 7 Indian Society 8. Themes in Indian History, Part-II