

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

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NATIONAL MISSION ON TEACHERS AND TEACHING

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

- (a) whether the Government has launched a National Mission on Teachers and Teaching that will take into account critical thinking, Maths and Science and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the criteria of selecting teachers for the said training;
- (c) whether the Government school teachers will undergo training and if so, the number of days for which they will undergo training;
- (d) whether the teachers will be evaluated after training and certified and if so, whether only certified teachers will be allowed to teach in schools, and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to improve the understanding basic concepts of students?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) to (e): Yes, Madam. The Government will set up 50 Centres of Excellence for Curriculum and Pedagogy with necessary emphasis on Maths and Science; under the newly launched Scheme Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya National Mission on Teachers and Teaching (PMMMNMTT). The Mission will provide an integrated platform for building synergies among all the existing initiatives, providing oversight to the existing activities and also carry out new activities aimed at gap filling so that a comprehensive vehicle for Teacher/Faculty related programmes and schemes is created. Ongoing programmes will also be revitalized through this Mission on Teachers and Teaching. PMMMNMTT is mandated to ensure a coordinated approach so as to holistically address the various shortcomings relating to teachers and teaching across the educational spectrum ranging from school education to higher education including technical education; using the best international practices for excellence. It will also empower teachers and faculty through training, re-training, refresher and orientation programmes in generic skills, pedagogic skills, discipline specific content upgradation, ICT and technology enabled training and other appropriate interventions. The various components of PMMMNMTT, such as, setting up 30 Schools of Education, 50 Centres of Excellence for Curriculum and Pedagogy, 2 Inter University Centres, National Resource Centre, 5 Centres of Academic Leadership and Educational Management, Subject Based Networks and Workshops and Seminars, which will strengthen teachers, are, in fact aimed at improving the understanding of the students to grasp basic concepts and help them learn better.