

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

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YOGA EDUCATION

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to make the teaching of Yoga mandatory in all schools across the country and also proposes to introduce it as a subject;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether any requests/proposals have been received from various State Governments to start Yoga classes;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government thereon;
- (e) whether the Government also proposes to ask private schools to start Yoga classes; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a) to (f): No such proposal is under consideration. However, yoga is one of the co-scholastic subjects along with physical and health education and is also included as part of physical activity in all the schools affiliated to Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) across the country. Yoga is also included as one of the units under physical education curriculum at the senior secondary level. Education is a concurrent subject and State Governments administer the schools in their jurisdiction as well as develop & prescribe their own curriculum.