

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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AVAILABILITY OF TEXT BOOKS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the demand and supply of the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) text books for different classes in various States and UTs during the last two years and the current year, State/UT-wise and year-wise;
- (b) whether NCERT is unable to meet the demand of the States/UTs for supply of text books;
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the action taken by the Government to ensure that the text books are made available to the students well before onset of an academic session?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) to (d) The National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) publishes textbooks for the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) affiliated schools. State/ UT-wise and year-wise estimated requirement and supply of the text books in respect of Production and Distribution Centres of NCERT during the last two years and the current year is annexed. All the NCERT textbooks are also available in the public domain, as they have been uploaded on the NCERT website www.ncert.nic.in. The NCERT has also granted Copyright permission to various States Education Boards/Agencies for adoption/ adaptation and translation etc., on the request received from them. NCERT is still having sufficient stock of text books to meet any demand, if received.