

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

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

- (a) whether as per a survey, about 90 per cent of teachers believe that there is low focus on skill development in education;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps proposed to address the issues of skill and personality development of students?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c) : The "Voice of Teachers' Survey", conducted by Pearson, a private sector education company amongst about 1918 school teachers and 3227 teachers of higher education, has indicated that more than 90% teachers believe that India's assessment framework focuses more on exam results and less on skill development.

The Government of India has undertaken several steps for improvement of quality of education and greater emphasis on skill based education in the school and higher education sectors by aligning vocational education and skill training programmes closely with industry under the overarching National Skill Qualification Framework (NSQF) and a credit framework which allows vertical and horizontal mobility for learners.