

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

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LACK OF EQUIPMENTS IN SCIENCE LABORATORIES

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

- (a) whether a large number of schools in the country reportedly do not have fully equipped science laboratories for students in class 11th and 12th;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has any plan to fully equip science laboratories in all schools of the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to improve the quality of education in the science stream?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): State-wise details of fully equipped science laboratories for student in class XI and XII is at Annexure.
- (c) to (e): The Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) that is being implemented since 2009-10, inter-alia provides for setting up Science laboratories in the Government Secondary Schools, and so far 35094 Science Laboratories and Lab equipment in respect of 35573 schools have been approved to be set up in the States/UTs.