GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION AND LITERACY

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4790 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23rd MARCH, 2020

Compulsory NCC Training in Schools

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Will the **Minister** of **HUMAN RESOURCEDEVELOPMENT** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the students of class 6th to 12th are likely to be given compulsory NCC education so as to inculcate a sense of discipline among students under the New Education Policy and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK')

(a) & (b): NCC is entirely a voluntary programme and it is upto the schools to opt for it. The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has introduced NCC as an optional elective in classes IX-XII under its curriculum. The schools may opt to offer NCC after obtaining necessary approval from the Directorate of NCC.

The Committee to Draft National Education Policy (NEP) under the Chairmanship of Dr. K. Kasturirangan submitted its report to the Ministry on 31st May 2019, which was uploaded on the Ministry's website and also at innovate.mygov.in platform to elicit comments and suggestions from the various stakeholders. Based on all feedback/comments received from various stakeholders on the Draft NEP, the Ministry is in the process of finalizing the National Education Policy, 2020.
