GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OFHUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT **RAJYA SABHA**

QUESTION NO04.12.2009

ANSWERED ON

PANEL FOR REVAMPING SCHOOL EDUCATION.

235 Prof. Alka Balram Kshatriya

Will the Minister of COALCOALHUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether his Ministry has set up a panel for revamping school education in the country;
- (b) if so, whether the standard of school education throughout the country is not up to the mark;
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) to what extent the panel set up by Government for revamping school education throughout the country is going to improve the standards?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

(SHRI KAPIL SIBAL)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 235 FOR ANSWER ON 4TH DECEMBER, 2009 ASKED BY PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA AND SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA REGARDING PANEL FOR REVAMPING SCHOOL EDUCATION

(a) to (d): A Round Table comprising educationists, academicians and representatives of civil society has been constituted on 23.9.2009 to advise the Department of School Education and Literacy on macro and micro issues pertaining to school education. The Round Table is one of the several forums in the Department for consultation and interaction on the various aspects of school education. Discussions in the Round Table are an ongoing process, and todate three meetings have been held, covering interalia issues relating to universalisation of elementary education, teacher education, and public-private partnership in education. School education is largely in the domain of the State Governments, and standards across the country are uneven. Improving quality, content and process to reinforce the national and integrative character of education is a continuing endeavour of the Department of School Education and Literacy.