

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3061
ANSWERED ON 20.08.2025

Alleged irregularities at ICHR

3061 Shri Pramod Tiwari:

Will the Minister of *Education* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry has flagged alleged financial irregularities at the Indian Council of Historical Research (ICHR);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether a substantial number of copies of the book titled India, the Mother of Democracy published by the ICHR and allegedly priced irrationally remain unsold;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the action taken or proposed to be taken against those found guilty for alleged financial irregularities?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
(DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR)

(a) to (e): On the basis of certain complaints regarding financial matters of the Indian Council of Historical Research (ICHR), including publication of books, an audit was conducted by the Office of the Principal Chief Controller of Accounts, Ministry of Education.

Based on the audit report, disciplinary action has been initiated, including major penalties proceeding against 7 employees and minor penalties against 8 employees.
