

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4124
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.03.2017**

Vocational Studies

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

- (a) the number of courses offered under vocational studies for students affiliated to Central Board of Secondary education (CBSE) schools;
- (b) whether only few students have opted for vocational subjects in schools affiliated to CBSE and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether this issue was raised at the Governing body of the CBSE held last year and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether CBSE has constituted a committee to review vocational courses and do away with those that are not finding enough takers and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the time by which the Committee is likely to submit its report to the Government?

**ANSWER
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA)**

(a)to(e):Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) offers 29 vocational courses at Senior Secondary level and 13 vocational courses at secondary level. There were less enrollments in some vocational courses, which require specific infrastructure cost involvement and faculty members. It was discussed in the Governing Body meeting held on 29th June, 2016, wherein it was decided to review the matter through a committee to take appropriate decision. The Board has constituted a committee on 9th February, 2017 to review the academic and vocational courses that are not finding enough takers. Committee has submitted the report and based on the recommendation of the committee, 11 courses have been discontinued from the session 2017-18.

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