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

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2341 TO BE ANSWERED ON 31.07.2017

Printing of NCERT Books

2341. DR. P. VENUGOPAL:

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

- (a) whether it is true that the Government has asked the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) to improve the printing quality of text books and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether it is also true that the Government had also directed the NCERT to make sure that the books are available in time and in adequate number and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a) National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) has been taking utmost care in printing of textbooks. There have not been any major complaints about the printing quality of NCERT textbooks. The NCERT has, however, regularly been taking adequate measures to further improve the quality of printing of their textbooks.
- (b) Yes, Madam. Regular meetings have been held in the Ministry to review the requirement of NCERT textbooks in Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) affiliated schools so as to ensure adequate supply of books to these schools. The NCERT publishes adequate number of books every year. Besides, the NCERT has made available all their textbooks on the web-site: epathshala.nic.in for free access and download.
