

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †25
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.02.2019**

Moral Education

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

- (a) whether the Government is considering to make moral education as a compulsory subject from nursery to university level syllabus in Maharashtra;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the details of the steps taken by the Government in order to inculcate moral values in the students of the country by taking advice from the educationists and spiritual scholars from different religions on this subject to prepare the above mentioned syllabus?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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- (a) to (d) National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) has developed National Curriculum Framework (NCF, 2005) which emphasises on inculcating moral values, attitudes and skills required for living in harmony with oneself and with others. Issues related to Moral values, wherever possible have been incorporated in the textbooks developed for school stage as well as in the entire school life – the curriculum, classroom climate, school management, teaching-learning, teacher-pupil relationships etc.

As per information received from Government of Maharashtra, there is no proposal to make moral education compulsory at any level as the State Curriculum Framework (SCF) 2010 of Government of Maharashtra inculcates moral education in the school curriculum and syllabus by adopting principles mentioned in the preamble of the Constitution of India such as liberty, equity, fraternity, social justice, secularism etc to encourage students to observe these values.

As per information received from University Grants Commission (UGC), moral education is embedded in the syllabi of all courses in the stream of Humanities and Social Sciences at university level. Further, some universities in the country are also running courses on spiritual and religious studies.
