

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

LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3516  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.07.2019

**Sanitary Napkin Vending Machines**

3516. MOHAMMED FAIZAL P.P.:

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

- (a) whether the Government has decided to install sanitary napkin vending machines in girls schools across the country;
- (b) whether the Government received any proposal from various groups and associations demanding the same; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and action taken thereon?

**A N S W E R**

**MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT  
(SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK')**

(a): Under the Integrated Scheme for School Education-Samagra Shiksha, state specific projects for varied interventions including menstrual health and hygiene are sanctioned by the Project Approval Board as per the Annual Work Plans proposed by the State/UT concerned.

(b) & (c): In pursuance of reference received from the National Commission for Women, regarding installation of sanitary napkin vending machines and eco-friendly incinerators within the premises of all Central Schools and Universities, the Department of School Education and Literacy, Ministry of Human Resource Development circulated the same to the Education Secretaries of all States and Union Territories (UTs) for taking action in the respective State/UT.

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