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Value Education in School Curriculum

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Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps for including value education in school curriculum to make children good citizens in future;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has issued any guidelines to the States/UTs for including value education in school curriculum; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
(DR. SUBHAS SARKAR)

(a) to (d) The National Education Policy (NEP), 2020, inter-alia, provides to include skills and values such as critical thinking, ethical reasoning, traditional Indian values and all basic human and Constitutional values, such as seva, ahimsa, swachchhata, satya, nishkam karma, shanti, sacrifice, tolerance, diversity, pluralism, righteous conduct, gender sensitivity, respect for elders, respect for all people and their inherent capabilities regardless of background, etc. The National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) has integrated values attitudes and skills such as human rights, justice, tolerance, cooperation, social responsibility, non-violence and respect for cultured diversity along with many other human, social and moral values across the stages and subjects in integrated manner. NCERT has been training teachers and teacher educators towards nurturing pro-peace attitudes and

values through their day-to-day interactions with students and while teaching different subjects. Document-entitled 'Education for Values in Schools – A Framework' published in 2012 by NCERT provides guidelines for holistic and integrated approach laying emphasis on school ethos, policies and practices, pedagogic strategies, transaction of subjects, evaluation, home-school partnership, teacher development and staff orientation in view of promoting values. The National Curriculum Framework (Foundational Stage) which has been recently prepared by NCERT incorporates values as laid down in the NEP 2020 and the same has been shared with all states and UTs.

Education, being a subject in the Concurrent List of Constitution of India and majority of schools are under the jurisdiction of State/Union Territory (UT) Governments, the respective States/UTs are expected to take appropriate steps to develop an integrated curriculum addressing the concerns of value education for their school systems as a follow up of the NEP 2020 and the National Curriculum Framework.
