GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1238 ANSWERED ON 11.12.2023

Anandpur Sahib Resolution in NCERT Textbook

1238. SHRIMATI HARSIMRAT KAUR BADAL:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the NCERT has interpreted the Anandpur Sahib Resolution as a separatist document which was signed between the then Prime Minister and SGPC;
- (b) whether the treaty is dubbed as a demand for a separate Sikh States in textbooks;
- (c) the reasons for dubbing such a historic resolution which stands for unity and integrity of the country as a separatist document; and
- (d) the steps being taken by the Government to resolve the issue?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (SMT. ANNPURNA DEVI)

(a) to (d) The National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) has informed that the present NCERT textbook of Political Science for class XII, titled "Politics of India Since Independence" available online (www.ncert.nic.in) has not interpreted the Anandpur Sahib Resolution as a separatist document which was signed between the then Prime Minister and SGPC. They have also informed that they have not dubbed the treaty as a demand for a separate Sikh state.
