

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1857
TO BE ANSWERED ON 29TH NOVEMBER, 2019**

COMPULSORY COMPREHENSIVE SEXUALITY EDUCATION

**1857. SHRIMATI S. JOTHIMANI:
SHRI VINCENT H. PALA:**

Will the Minister of **HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether as a signatory to International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) Programme of Action 1994, India is currently fulfilling its obligation to provide free and compulsory Comprehensive Sexuality Education (CSE), if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the programmes/schemes currently in place to impart CSE to adolescents in school and out-of-school, at the central and State/UT levels;
- (c) the measures being taken by the Government to provide free and compulsory comprehensive sexuality education as per the ICPD; and
- (d) the manner in which capacities of Rashtriya Kishor Swasthya Karyakram (RKSK) service providers viz. revision of modules, additional training, etc. is being built to cater Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ) adolescents in keeping with the relevant judicial judgments in this regard?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)**

(a) to (c): The Adolescence Education programme (AEP) is being implemented through State AIDS Control Societies in coordination with State Council of Educational Research and Training (SCERT) using a 16 hours' curriculum based module developed by National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT), to impart life skills to the students of 8th, 9th & 11th standard.

Orientation and sensitization is provided to also identified out-of-school adolescent and youth for providing awareness regarding Life Skill Education. The Comprehensive Sexuality Education is an integral part of Life Skill Education.

(d): Rashtriya Kishor Swasthya Karyakram (RKSK) focusses on reaching out all adolescents including Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ).

The training program of existing counsellor and Peer educators also caters to the need of this special population group in non-judgmental and non-stigmatized manner.