

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 134
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.02.2020

School Textbooks

134. SHRI PINAKI MISRA:

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

- (a) whether the Paika Bidroha of 1817 has been included in the school history textbooks as the first war of independence against British Rule;
- (b) whether there are plans to popularise the rebellion in schools through other methods like workshops, plays, competitions, or lectures; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

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

- (a) The 'Paika Bidroha' has been mentioned under the heading 'The Khurda Uprising – A case Study' in the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT)'s Social Science textbook, namely, "Our Pasts-III" (Part-II) for Class VIII.
- (b) No such proposal is under consideration at present.
- (c) Does not arise.
