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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.120 TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.07.2021

HISTORY TEXTBOOKS

†120. SHRIMATI MALA RAJYA LAXMI SHAH: SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any remedial measures to rectify distortion of facts made in history in the past and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government is proposing any plan to evaluate more fairly facts and information in the history about the local kings of North-South India of medieval period; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) to (c): The National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT), as a regular activity, update their textbooks before these are reprinted every year keeping in view the comments, suggestions and grievances received from different stakeholders. The Indian Council of Historical Research (ICHR) has been undertaking various research projects/seminars/lectures /workshops with a focus to bring out the authenticated history of different regions of India. Further, consequent upon announcement of the National Education Policy (NEP), 2020, a new National Curriculum Framework (NCF) will be prepared followed by development of new textbooks in all subjects, including History, after extensive research and consultation.