

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

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3259**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.08.2021**

**Projection of North Eastern States in Text Books**

3259. SHRI ABDUL KHALEQUE:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the fact that North Eastern States are not projected in text books in the way they should be as compared to other States;
- (b) whether the Government has received a joint memorandum from various North Eastern States Student Unions and groups in this regard;
- (c) if so, the action which the Government is considering to take on the proposal submitted through the memorandum; and
- (d) the measures initiated by the Government to eradicate such differences?

**ANSWER**  
**MINISTER OF EDUCATION**  
**(SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)**

(a) to (d) The syllabus and textbooks in all subjects are prepared on the basis of the extant education policy and the National Curriculum Framework (NCF). The National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT)'s present set of textbooks and academic materials have been prepared based on the National Curriculum Framework (NCF), 2005. NCERT has informed that the contents about various aspects of the North Eastern Region have been included in the current NCERT textbooks for different disciplines of Social Sciences such as History, Geography, Political Science and Sociology across the stages. Besides, supplementary reading material, namely, "Women of North-East India: Making a Difference" and "North East India: People, History and Culture" have also been developed by NCERT. The 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.

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