

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4038
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.03.2022

Teaching History of Great Indian Personalities

†4038. SHRI ARUN KUMAR SAGAR:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Union Government to include the ideals and teaching of great sages and personalities like Swami Dayananda Saraswati, Shri Ramkrishna Paramhans and Vivekanand instead of stories of Kings in the syllabus of History being taught in the schools; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

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

(a) and (b): The National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) has informed that great sages and personalities like Swami Dayananda Saraswati, Shri Ramkrishna Paramhans and Swami Vivekanand have already been mentioned in the History textbook for Class VIII developed by them. The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has informed that the textbooks for Classes VI – VIII also highlight the ideas of eminent national personalities and freedom fighters such as Shri Jyotiba Phule, Shri Kandukuri Veeresalingam, Shri Narayana Guru, Shri Periyar, Mahatama Gandhi and Shri B. R. Ambedkar.
