

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION  
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.5132**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.04.2022

**Audio Visual Books for Blind/Visually Impaired Students**

5132. SHRI HEMANT TUKARAM GODSE:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to give directions to Central, Private and Autonomous Universities to create audiobooks of their curriculum and recommended books and upload them on their websites for free distribution to blind/visually impaired students as done by ICSE and CBSE Boards; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**  
**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION**  
**(DR. SUBHAS SARKAR)**

(a) and (b) Yes Sir. University Grants Commission has advised all universities to develop/adopt suitable educational resources like Braille-print books, large print books, tactile books, audio books and such other assistive devices which better meet the needs of visual impairments for equitable access to the curriculum. Universities have also been advised to upload such educational resources on the website of the university and to make freely available.

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