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Inclusion of Moral Education

1262. DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to introduce a moral education as a compulsory chapter in school syllabus to built a good character in students; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) to (b) Education is a subject on the Concurrent List of the Constitution and a majority of schools are under the purview of the State Governments. The National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) textbooks prescribe themes and examples related to moral conduct across subject areas and across various stages of school education in the syllabi and textbooks for classes I - XII as a follow-up of the National Curriculum Framework- 2005. NCERT has also brought out a Value Education Framework entitled "Education for values in schools - A framework" which provides guidelines to schools to identify their priorities of values and plan their actions accordingly. NCERT has also developed a Resource Book for teachers called 'Ways to Peace'.

The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has made value education compulsory in the curriculum offered to the schools affiliated to it. It has published source books for classes VI-VIII and a Teacher's Manual on Life Skills for Classes IX-X and also on Environmental Education and Adolescent Education. It has also introduced value-based questions from the prescribed books in the Summative Assessment II in classes IX-X and in the final examination in classes XI-XII from the year 2012-13. CBSE has also launched a value education kit comprising of a Hand Book for Teachers, Values Cards and a CD on songs on the theme of Duty, Solidarity and Respect for Nature.
