GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3467 TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.08.2016

Curriculum on Diseases

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

(a) whether the Government proposes that information regarding various types of diseases, initial symptoms and their prevention be included in the curriculum in the schools across the country including Uttar Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA)

(a) & (b) The information regarding various types of diseases, their symptoms and their prevention are already incorporated in the textbooks of classes IV, V, IX and XII developed by National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT). The content related to the treatment of life style diseases like hypertension have been included in the syllabi of Health and Physical Education at Secondary Stage.

The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has launched a 'Comprehensive School Health Programme' in all the schools affiliated to it including the ones situated in Uttar Pradesh with a focus on presenting important causes of diseases and disability by helping school children, staff, family and community to care for themselves, take informed decisions over circumstances that affect their health and create conditions that are conducive to health. The Board has published four volumes of Health Manuals for classes I-XII which discuss in detail various diseases and their prevention.
