

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) the classes for which courses have been changed and new text books introduced by the NCERT during the last three years; and
- (b) the reasons therefore?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT, MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINIS OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI)

(a) and (b) Under the Programme of Action (POA) 1992 of the National Educational Policy 1986, National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) was advised `to initiate necessary changes` before 1997. The `Council` did initiate this work but it caught momentum only in 1999. The National Curriculum Framework for Secondary Education was published in the year 2000 and the syllabi were accordingly improved thereafter. The `Council` has introduced new text books in a phased manner w.e.f. 2002-03 session.