

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

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INTRODUCTION OF COMPUTERISED BOOKS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has decided to introduce computerized version of books of some classes in the next few months;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the decision would deprive students belonging to weaker sections of the community as they do not have computers at home; and
- (d) if so, steps proposed to help such students?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI)

(a) and (b) National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) had placed the content of several textbooks for classes IX to XII on the web-site during the academic session 2005-06. It also plans to put the re-print editions of textbooks of classes II, IV, V, VII and VIII and also new textbooks of classes I, III, VI, IX and XI during the academic session 2006-07.

(c) and (d) No, Sir. NCERT textbooks in printed form will still be available in the market as before. Availability of textbooks on the web-site is an additional facility which can be made use of, depending on needs.