

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

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LEAKING OUT OF TEXT PAPERS  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) the total number of examinations/entrance tests for which papers were leaked during the last two years and till date;
- (b) whether any such case have been solved by the Government so far;
- (c) if so, the details thereof alongwith the number of persons apprehended;
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor and the time by which the remaining cases are likely to be solved; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to prevent such happenings in the future?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (e): The Question paper for All India Pre-Medical/Pre-Dental Entrance (Preliminary) Examination, 2004 conducted by CBSE and scheduled for 11.4.2004 was leaked out. The Question paper was leaked by a Computer Assistant working in the office of the Controller of Examinations of CBSE, who was engaged for typing the question paper. The Computer Assistant concerned has been placed under suspension by CBSE.

Delhi Police registered a case in this matter and has made detailed investigations. They arrested six culprits including allegedly the kingpin, and the chargesheet has been filed by the Delhi Police. There was also alleged leakage of question papers of 2003 examinations. CBI has filed a chargesheet in this case also against five accused. A High Level Committee under the Chairmanship of Dr. J. Veera Raghavan, Former Secretary, MHRD, Government of India has been set up by the CBSE to examine various procedures currently adopted by the CBSE with a purpose to identify the loopholes in the system of examinations. It will also suggest necessary measures for strengthening the system of eliminate any possibility of leakage of question papers.

In an another case, the Question paper for Common Admission Test (CAT) -2003 scheduled for 23rd November, 2003 for admission to IIMs was leaked. CBI had busted a racket of leakage of question papers. Shri Arun Kumar, Kumar Suman Singh, Manoj Kumar and Hari Shankar Chaudhary in conspiracy among themselves and other unknown persons procured CAT question paper by theft or criminal breach of trust. A regular case has been registered by CBI The Ministry has set up a Committee under the Chairmanship of Shri V.K. Shunglu, ex C&AG to examine the circumstances which led to leakage of question paper and to see whether there was any systemic failure, to fix responsibility on those persons / agency responsible for the leakage and to examine the methodology of conduct of CAT examination and to suggest measures to avoid recurrence of such instances in future,

In the year 2003 & 2004, two papers each in BCA/MCA courses of Indira Gandhi National Open University(IGNOU) were leaked. FIR was lodged in these cases and also an Enquiry Committee constituted by the Board of Management. Four students and one employee of the examination centre were arrested. Proceedings for debarring the students from continuing with the programme further/or withholding result till there is a decision on the criminal case.